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"THIS IS WHAT THE LORD JEHOVAH [יְהוָה, YHWH]
HAS SAID: ' . . . HERE I AM CREATING NEW
HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH, AND THE
FORMER THINGS WILL NOT BE CALLED
TO MIND, NEITHER WILL THEY
COME UP INTO THE HEART.'"
—ISAIAH 65:13, 17.

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EXPLANATION OF THE SYMBOLS USED IN THE LOWER MARGINAL REFERENCES

Aq

Greek translation made by Aq'uila, a Jewish proselyte, of the 2d century A.D. A very literal translation of the Hebrew, becoming the official Greek version for the Jews. Origen included it in the 3d column of his *Hexapla*, current about A.D. 245. See Foreword of the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures*, page 12, ¶ 1.

Ca

Cairo Manuscript of the Prophets, in Hebrew. It contains the Earlier and Later Prophets (see Foreword, Volume I, ¶ 4) and was written by Moses ben Asher in Tiberias in Palestine, A.D. 895. It is in the Karaite Jews' synagogue of Cairo, Egypt. Accidentally discovered about 1890.

DSia

Dead Sea Scroll of Isaiah, as now possessed by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Discovered in the spring of 1947 in a cave near the Dead Sea's northwestern shore, it was originally purchased by the Metropolitan at St. Mark's Monastery of the Syrian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem. Its 54 columns of beautifully preserved Hebrew writing contain the complete text of Isa-

iah except for a few small lacunae. It is rated as the earliest Hebrew manuscript of the Bible, and is placed by scholars in the latter half of the 2d century B.C., or the first half of the 1st century B.C., or about 100 B.C.

L

Leningrad Manuscript, catalogued as No. B 19A, in Hebrew. It is the oldest dated manuscript of the complete Hebrew Bible and was copied A.D. 1008 "from the corrected clear books prepared by the master Aaron ben Mosher ben Asher." It contains the ordinary vocalization of the Hebrew consonants. It is now in the Public Library in Leningrad, Russia.

LXX

Greek Septuagint Version, begun about 280 B.C. The oldest version of the Hebrew Scriptures and a work of Jews.

LXX*

Greek Septuagint Version as found in the Codex Sinaiticus, or Sinaitic Manuscript. Of the 4th century. What remains of its translation of the Hebrew Scriptures is fragmentary. Discovered at Mt. Sinai in 1844, it is now in the British Museum, London, England.

LXXA

Greek *Septuagint Version* as found in the Codex Alexandrinus, or Alexandrine Manuscript, of the complete Bible. Of the middle of the 5th century. From its translation of the Hebrew Scriptures the following have been lost: 1 Kings 12:17 to 14:9 and Psalms 49:20 to 79:11.

LXXB

Greek *Septuagint Version* as found in the Codex Vaticanus, or Vatican Manuscript No. 1209. Of the 4th century. From its translation of the Hebrew Scriptures two sections are missing: the book of Genesis from its beginning up to chapter 46:28, and Psalms 105:27 to 137:6 (Psalms 106-138 in Hebrew), but which missing passages were restored by a 15th-century scribe. The Books of the Maccabees and the Psalms of Solomon, apocryphal books, are missing. Catalogued in the Vatican Library since the fifteenth century.

M

Masoretic Hebrew text. Here based mainly on the text of the Leningrad Hebrew Manuscript No. B 19A, a representative of the ben Asher text. See L.

Sy

Syriac *Peshitta Version*. Parts of it may be of Jewish origin, but it was made for Syriac Christians. It is basically a translation directly of the Hebrew Scriptures, although made with some consideration of the Greek *Septuagint*. Its

most valuable manuscript for the translation of the entire Hebrew Bible is the 6th- or 7th-century codex in the Ambrosian Library, Milan, Italy. An earlier manuscript has a date corresponding with A.D. 464.

T

The Targums, or Targumim, meaning "interpretations, translations." At first they were mere oral interpretations or translations in Aramaic made at the reading of the Hebrew Scriptures after Jerusalem's 70-year desolation, and later they were committed to writing. There are Targums on the Law or Pentateuch, on the Prophets and, of later date, on the Hagiographa. The three Targums on the Pentateuch are the Jerusalem Targum, the Targum of Jonathan, and the Targum of Onkelos.

Th

Greek translation made by Theodotion, of Pontus, Asia Minor, between A.D. 180 and 192. It differs little from the *Septuagint*, like a mere revision. Origen included it in the 6th column of his *Hexapla*, current about A.D. 245.

Vg

Vulgata Latina or Latin *Vulgate*.

The *Vulgate* originally was a revision of the Old Latin text and was made by Eusebius Jerome, with reference to the original Hebrew and Greek of the Holy Scriptures. Begun A.D. 383, it was finished by him in 405.

PLURAL NUMBER of "YOU" and of VERBS

"You" printed in all capital letters denotes the plural number of this pronoun. Also, where the plural number of a verb is not certainly apparent to the reader, it is indicated by printing the VERB in all capitals.

CHAIN REFERENCE

The superior small circle, open (O) or with a dot (©), or a superior "p" or "q" denotes the word that it follows is one of a chain of references, carried on all through the Hebrew Scriptures. In this last volume of our translation of the Hebrew Scriptures there is published an alphabetic list of all words in chain reference, with the opening verse in the Hebrew Scriptures where each chain starts. The side margin cites the next link. Other symbols refer to cross references not in a chain.

The following cross reference symbols *, @, A, O, +, @, *, @, k to n, r to z will lead you to helpful information, such as parallel passages, geographical and biographical points, passages quoted from, etc. The letter "l" behind a cross reference symbol denotes a scripture the thought of which has been misapplied.

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Book	Abbreviation	Book	Abbreviation
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Amos	Am	Kings, 2	2Ki
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Chronicles, 2	2Ch	Leviticus	Le
Colossians	Col	Luke	Lu
Corinthians, 1	1Co	Malachi	Mal
Corinthians, 2	2Co	Mark	Mr
Daniel	Da	Matthew	Mt
Deuteronomy	De	Micah	Mic
Ecclesiastes	Ec	Nahum	Na
Ephesians	Eph	Nehemiah	Ne
Esther	Es	Numbers	Nu
Exodus	Ex	Obadiah	Ob
Ezekiel	Eze	Peter, 1	1Pe
Ezra	Ezr	Peter, 2	2Pe
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Genesis	Ge	Philippians	Php
Habakkuk	Hab	Proverbs	Pr
Haggai	Hag	Psalms	Ps
Hebrews	Heb	Revelation	Re
Hosea	Ho	Romans	Ro
Isaiah	Isa	Ruth	Ru
James	Jas	Samuel, 1	1Sa
Jeremiah	Jer	Samuel, 2	2Sa
Job	Job	Song of Solomon, The	
Joel	Joe	(Canticles)	Ca
John	Joh	Thessalonians, 1	1Th
John, 1	1Jo	Thessalonians, 2	2Th
John, 2	2Jo	Timothy, 1	1Ti
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Exodus	2 Samuel	Psalms	Daniel
Leviticus	1 Kings	Proverbs	Hosea
Numbers	2 Kings	Ecclesiastes	Joel
Deuteronomy	1 Chronicles	The Song of Solomon	Amos
Joshua	2 Chronicles		Obadiah
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Ruth	Nehemiah		Micah
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		Isaiah	Habakkuk
		Jeremiah	Zephaniah
		Lamentations	Haggai
			Zechariah
			Malachi

EZEKIEL^a

1 And it proceeded to occur in the thirtieth year, in the fourth [month], on the fifth [day] of the month, while I was in the midst of the exiled^a people by the river Che'bar,^b that the heavens were opened^a and I began to see visions of God.^b ² On the fifth [day] of the month, that is, [in] the fifth year of the exile of King Je-hoi'a-chin,^c ³ the word of Jehovah occurred^a specifically to Ezekiel^a the son of Bu'zi the priest in the land of the Chal-de'ans^c by the river Che'bar, and there the hand of Jehovah came to be even upon him.^{*}

4 And I began to see, and, look! there was a tempestuous wind^{dk} coming from the north,ⁿ a great cloud mass and quivering fire, and it^e had a brightness all around, and out of the midst of it^f there was something like the look of electrum,^g out of the midst of the fire.^f ⁵ And out of the midst of it^f there was the likeness of four living creatures,^h and this was how they looked: they had the likeness of earthling man.ⁱ ⁶ And [each] one had four faces,ⁱ and [each] one of them four wings.^u ⁷ And their feet were

^a "Eze'kiel." M, *Y'hhez.qēl'*; rendered Je.hez'kel in 1 Chronicles 24: 16. Meaning "God Strengthens." LXX, *Ye.se.ki.ēl'*; Vg, *Eze.chi.el.* ^b "God." M, *Elo.him'*; the plural number of *Elo'ah*. ^c "Je.hoi'a-chin." M, *Yo.ya.khin'*; LXX, *Yo.a.kim'*. ^d "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; see Genesis 1: 2, footnote d. ^e "It"; in the masculine gender, referring to the cloud mass. ^f "It"; in the feminine gender, evidently referring to the fire, which is feminine in Hebrew. ^g LXX, *e'lektron*; a shining alloy of gold and silver. ^h Or, "shapes." ⁱ "Earthling man." M, *a.dam'*.

straight feet, and the sole of their feet was like the sole of the foot of a calf;^v and they were gleaming as with the glow^a of burnished copper.^v ⁸ And there were the hands of a man^b under their wings on their four sides,^z and the four of them had their faces and their wings.^{*} ⁹ Their wings were joining one to the other. They would not turn when they went; they would go each one straight forward.[□]

10 And as for the likeness of their faces, the four of them had a man's^{ba} face with a lion's face to the right,^o and the four of them had a bull's face on the left;^{*} the four of them also had an eagle's face.^o ¹¹ That is the way their faces were. And their wings were spreading out upward. Each one had two joining to each other, and two were covering their bodies.^{*}

12 And they would go each one straight forward.^{*} To wherever the spirit^c would incline to go, they would go.^k They would not turn as they went.ⁿ ¹³ And as for the likeness of the living creatures,^d their appearance was like burning coals of fire.^r Something like the appearance of torches^s was moving back and forth between the living creatures, and the fire was bright, and out of the fire there was lightning going forth.^t ¹⁴ And on the part of the living creatures there was a going forth and a returning as with the appearance of the lightning.^u

15 As I kept seeing the living creatures, why, look! there was one wheel on the earth beside

^a Literally, "eye." M. ^b "Man." M, *a.dam'*. ^c "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. Compare verse 4, footnote d. ^d "Living creatures." M, *hay-yah'* (in the plural number, feminine gender); LXX, *zo'i'a*, the same as in Revelation 4:6-9; Vg, *a.ni.ma'lia*.

vLe 11:3

yDa 10:6
Re 1:15
zIsa 6:6
Eze 10:8
*Eze 10:21
Re 4:8□Pr 4:25
Eze 10:11
Eze 10:22

ARe 4:7

□1Ch 12:8
Eze 10:14
*Pr 14:4
Re 4:7
□De 28:49
Job 39:27
Isa 40:31
Eze 10:14

*Isa 6:2

*Eze 10:22

kEze 1:20

nHeb 1:14

rPs 104:4
Mt 28:3
Re 10:1
sGe 15:17
Da 10:6tEx 3:2
Jg 13:20
2Ki 2:11
Ps 18:8
uPs 18:10
Da 9:21
Mt 24:27
Mr 13:27vEze 10:9
Eze 10:13
yEze 1:6
Re 4:7
zPs 77:18
Eze 10:9
*Ex 39:13
Da 10:6

□Eze 10:10

ARe 10:11

□Eze 1:9

*Pr 15:3
Eze 10:12
Zec 4:10
Re 4:6

□Eze 10:16

*Eze 10:17

*Ge 1:6
Ps 19:1
Ps 150:1kEx 24:10
Job 37:22
Eze 10:1
Re 21:11

the living creatures,^v by the four faces of each.^v ¹⁶ As for the appearance of the wheels^z and their structure, it was like the glow of chrysolite;^{*} and the four of them had one likeness. And their appearance and their structure were just as when a wheel proved to be in the midst^a of a wheel.[□] ¹⁷ When they went they would go on their four respective sides.^{ba} They would not turn another way when they went.^o ¹⁸ And as for their rims, they had such height that they caused fearfulness; and their rims were full of eyes all around the four of them.^{*} ¹⁹ And when the living creatures went, the wheels would go beside them, and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels would be lifted up.^o ²⁰ Wherever the spirit inclined to go, they would go, the spirit [inclining] to go there; and the wheels themselves would be lifted up close alongside them, for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.^{*} ²¹ When they went, these would go; and when they stood still, these would stand still; and when they were lifted up from the earth, the wheels would be lifted up close alongside them, for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.^{*}

22 And over the heads of the living creatures there was the likeness of an expanse^{*} like the sparkle of awesome ice, stretched out over their heads up above.^k ²³ And under the expanse their wings were straight, one to the other. Each one had two wings covering on this side and each one had two covering on that side their bodies.²⁴ And I got to hear the sound of their

^a Possibly, be centered at right angles on the same axis. ^b Or, "toward their four directions."

wings, a sound like that of vast waters,ⁿ like the sound of the Almighty^o One, when they went, the sound of a tumult,^r like the sound of an encampment.^s When they stood still, they would let their wings down.

25 And there came to be a voice above the expanse^t that was over their head. (When they stood still, they would let their wings down.)

26 And above the expanse that was over their head there was something in appearance like sapphire stone,^u the likeness of a throne.^v And upon the likeness of the throne^o there was a likeness of someone in appearance like an earthling man upon it,^y up above. 27 And I got to see something like the glow of electrum,^z like the appearance of fire all around inside thereof,^a from the appearance of his hips and upward; and from the appearance of his hips and downward I saw something like the appearance of fire, and he had a brightness all around.

28 There was something like the appearance of the bow^b that occurs in a cloud mass on the day of a pouring rain. That is how the appearance was of the brightness round about. It was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Jehovah.^c When I got to see [it], then I fell upon my face,^d and I began to hear the voice of one speaking.

2 And he proceeded to say to me: "Son of man,^a stand up upon your feet that I may speak with you."^e 2 And spirit^b began to come

^a "Son of man." M, *Ben a.dam*. This is the first of 92 occurrences of this expression in the book of Ezekiel. LXX, *hui.os' anthro'pou*.

^b "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*.

nEze 43:2
Re 1:15
Re 19:6
oEze 10:5
rJob 37:2
Ps 18:13
Ps 29:3
Ps 68:33
s2Ki 7:6
Da 10:6

tEze 1:22

uEx 24:10
vPs 45:6
Isa 6:1
Eze 10:1
Da 7:9
oZec 6:13

yGe 28:13
Jos 5:13
Da 10:18
Re 1:13
Re 4:2
Re 14:14
zEze 1:4
Eze 8:2
*De 4:24
Ps 50:3
Ps 97:3
Heb 12:29

oGe 9:13
Re 4:3
Re 10:1

aEx 16:7
Ex 24:16
Ex 33:18
1Ki 8:11
Eze 8:4
oEze 3:23
Eze 43:3

*Eze 37:3

oDa 10:11

into me as soon as he spoke to me, and it^a began to make me stand up upon my feet that I might hear the One speaking to me.^a

3 And he went on to say to me: "Son of man, I am sending you to the sons of Israel,^a to rebellious nations that have rebelled against me.^k They themselves and their forefathers have transgressed against me down to this selfsame day.ⁿ 4 And the sons insolent of face^o and hard of heart^s—I am sending you to them, and you must say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said.' 5 And as for them, whether they will hear or will refrain^t—for they are a rebellious house—they will certainly know also that a prophet himself happened to be in the midst of them."^u

6 "And you, O son of man, do not be afraid of them,^v and of their words do not be afraid, because there are obstinate ones^y and things pricking you and it is among scorpions^z that you are dwelling. Of their words do not you be afraid, and at their faces do not you be struck with terror, for they are a rebellious house.^a 7 And you must speak my words to them, regardless of whether they hear or they refrain, for they are a case of rebellion."^b

8 "And you, O son of man, hear what I am speaking to you. Do not become rebellious like the rebellious house.^a Open your mouth and eat what I am giving you."^b

*Nu 11:25
Jg 13:25
1Sa 16:13
Ne 9:30
Re 11:11
*2Ch 38:15
Jer 1:7
Mt 10:16
k2Ki 17:7
Jer 16:12
Jer 44:22

nNu 20:10
De 9:24
Ne 9:26
Jer 3:25
Da 9:5
Ac 7:51
rLa 3:65
Mt 22:6
Ac 14:5
Ro 1:30
sJos 11:20
Ps 95:8
Eze 3:7
Heb 3:15
tEze 3:11
Ac 13:46
uEze 33:33
Joh 15:22
v2Ki 1:15
Mt 10:28
yDe 2:30
zLu 10:19

*Isa 51:7
Heb 11:27
1Pe 3:14

oJer 1:17
Eze 3:27

*Nu 20:24
1Ki 13:21
Isa 50:5
Jer 15:16
Re 10:9

^a "It." In the feminine gender, referring to "spirit," which is in the feminine gender in Hebrew. ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.donay' Yho.wih'*. Vg, *Do'minus De'us*; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; L, "Jehovah God." Luther German, *der Herr Herr* ("the Lord Lord"). See Genesis 15: 2, footnotes e and f. Used 215 times in the book of Ezekiel, but very rarely in the other prophets.

9 And I began to see, and, look! there was a hand thrust out to me,^a and, look! in it there was the roll of a book.^b 10 And he gradually spread it out before me,^c and it was written upon in front and on the back,^m and there were written in it dirges and moaning and wailing.ⁿ

3 And he proceeded to say to me: "Son of man, what you find, eat. Eat this roll,^k and go, speak to the house of Israel."

2 So I opened my mouth and he gradually made me eat this roll.ⁿ 3 And he went on to say to me: "Son of man, you should cause your own belly to eat, that you may fill your very intestines with this roll that I am giving you." And I began to eat it, and it came to be in my mouth like honey for sweetness.^r

4 And he continued saying to me: "Son of man, go, enter in among the house of Israel,^s and you must speak with my words to them. 5 For it is not to a people who are unintelligible in language^{at} or heavy^b of tongue^u that you are being sent—to the house of Israel, 6 not to numerous peoples unintelligible in language^a or heavy^b in tongue, whose words you cannot hear [understandingly]. If it was to them that I had sent you, those very ones would listen to you.^v 7 But as for the house of Israel, they will not want to listen to you, for they are not wanting to listen to me;^y because all those of the house of Israel are hardheaded^c and hardhearted.^z 8 Look! I have made^d your face exactly as hard as their faces^w and your forehead exactly as hard

*Jer 1:9
Eze 8:3
Da 5:5
Eze 3:1
Heb 10:7
Re 10:8
*Isa 30:8
Hab 2:2
mRe 5:1
*Isa 3:11
Jer 36:29
Re 8:13
kEze 2:8
Re 10:9

nRe 10:10

rJob 23:12
Ps 19:10
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sEze 2:3
Mt 10:6
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Isa 33:19
uDe 28:49
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Jer 5:15
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vJon 3:5
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Ro 9:30

yIsa 8:7
Jer 25:3
Lu 10:16
zJer 3:3
Jer 5:3
Eze 2:4
wIsa 3:9

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*Isa 41:10
Jer 1:8
Jer 17:18
*Eze 2:8

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z1Kl 18:46
2Kl 3:15

*Eze 1:1
Eze 43:3

cJer 23:9
Hab 3:16

as their foreheads.* 9 Like a diamond,^a harder than flint,^b I have made^b your forehead. You must not be afraid of them,^a and you must not be struck with terror at their faces,^d for they are a rebellious house."^e

10 And he went on to say to me: "Son of man, all my words that I shall speak to you, take into your heart and hear with your own ears.^g 11 And go, enter in among the exiled people,^x among the sons of your people,^h and you must speak to them and say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said,' regardless of whether they hear or they refrain."^k

12 And a spirit^c proceeded to bear me alongⁿ and I began to hear behind me the sound of a great rushing:^r "Blessed be the glory of Jehovah from his place."^s 13 And there was the sound of the wings of the living creatures that were closely touching each other,^t and the sound of the wheels close beside them,^u and the sound of a great rushing. 14 And a spirit^c itself bore me along^v and proceeded to take me, so that I went bitterly in the rage of my spirit,^{cy} and the hand of Jehovah upon me was strong.^z 15 So I entered in among the exiled people at Tel-a'bib, who were dwelling by the river Che'bar,^{*} and I began to dwell^d where they were dwelling; and I kept dwelling there for seven days, stunned in the midst of them.^q

16 And it came about at the end of seven days that the word of Jehovah proceeded to occur to me, saying: 17 "Son of man, a watch-

^a Literally, "lip," M. But see Genesis 11:1. ^b Or, "slow." ^c Literally, "strong of forehead," M. ^d Literally, "given," M.

^a Or, "emery." ^b Literally, "given," M. ^c "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spiritus*. Compare Ezekiel 1:4, footnote d. ^d "And I began to dwell," M^{margin} and many manuscripts.

man^a is what I have made you to the house of Israel,^a and you must hear from my mouth speech and you must warn them from me.^b ¹⁸ When I say to someone wicked, 'You will positively die,'^c and you do not actually warn him and you do not actually speak in order to warn the wicked one from his wicked way to preserve him alive,^d he being wicked, in his error he will die,^e but his blood I shall ask back from your own hand.^f ¹⁹ But as for you, in case you have warned someone wicked^g and he does not actually turn back from his wickedness and from his wicked way,^h he himself for his error will die;ⁱ but as for you, you will have delivered your own soul.^{bs} ²⁰ And when someone righteous turns back from his righteousness^j and actually does injustice and I actually put a stumbling block before him,^k he himself will die because you did not warn him.^v For his sin he will die^y and his righteous acts that he did will not be remembered, but his blood I shall ask back from your own hand.^z ²¹ And as for you, in case you have warned someone righteous that the righteous one should not sin,^g and he himself does not actually sin,^o he will without fail keep on living because he had been warned,^a and you yourself will have delivered your own soul."^b

²² And the hand of Jehovah came to be upon me there and he proceeded to say to me: "Get up, go forth to the valley plain,^g and there I shall speak with you."²³ So I got up and went forth to the valley plain, and, look! the glory of Jehovah was standing there,^g like the glory

^a Or, "lookout." M, *tso.phek'*. ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. See Appendix, page 399.

Ca 3:3
Isa 21:8
Isa 21:11
Isa 52:8
Jer 6:17
Ac 20:28
Heb 13:17
2Ch 19:10
Isa 58:1
Ge 2:17
2Ki 1:4
Isa 3:11
Ac 2:40
Ro 1:16
1Ti 4:16
Pr 14:32
Joh 8:24
Ge 9:5
Ac 20:26
2Ki 17:13
nLu 10:11
Ac 13:46
r2Th 1:9
Heb 10:27
sEze 33:9
Ac 18:6
t2Ch 24:18
Ps 36:3
Isa 64:6
Eze 18:24
Heb 10:38
uDe 13:3
1Pe 2:8
vLe 19:17
Mt 18:15
yEze 18:26
2Pe 2:21
zEze 33:6
Heb 13:17
*Ac 20:31
Re 3:19
APr 17:10
Jas 5:20
*Eze 8:4
Ac 9:6
Nu 16:19
Nu 16:42
Eze 1:28
Eze 10:18
Ac 7:55

*Eze 1:1
Re Eze 1:28
Da 8:17
Re 4:10
Eze 2:2
Da 37:10
Eze 10:19
rEze 8:1
sEze 4:8
Joh 21:18
Ac 20:23
tPs 137:6
uEze 24:27
Lu 1:22
vAm 5:10
Ysa 1:2
Eze 2:6
zEx 4:11
Eze 24:27
Eze 33:22
Lu 21:15
Mt 11:15
Re 2:29
Eze 12:2
AJer 19:1
Jer 25:15
Jer 27:2
Jer 32:31
2Ki 24:11
Jer 39:1
Jer 52:1
Jer 52:4
Lu 19:43
Isa 37:33
Jer 6:6
Jer 32:24
Eze 21:22
kLe 2:5
Le 6:21
1Ch 23:29
nIsa 8:18
Eze 12:6
Lu 2:34
Joh 4:48
Heb 2:4

that I had seen by the river Che'bar,^g and I went falling upon my face.^k ²⁴ Then spirit^a entered into meⁿ and made me stand up on my feet, and he began to speak with me and say to me: "Come, be shut up inside your house."²⁵ And you, O son of man, look! they will certainly put cords upon you and bind you with them so that you cannot go forth into the midst of them.^s ²⁶ And your very tongue I will make stick to the roof of your mouth,^t and you will certainly become mute,^u and you will not become to them a man^b administering reproof,^v because they are a rebellious^y house. ²⁷ And when I speak with you I shall open your mouth, and you must say to them,^z 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said.' Let the one hearing hear,^g and let the one refraining refrain, because they are a rebellious house.^o

4 "And you, O son of man, take for yourself a brick, and you must put it before you^a and engrave upon it a city,^g even Jerusalem. ² And you must lay siege against it^g and build a siege wall against it^g and throw up^c a siege rampart against it^g and set encampments against it and put^d battering rams all around against it.^g ³ And as for you, take to yourself an iron griddle,^k and you must put it as an iron wall between you and the city, and you must fix your face against it, and it must get to be in a siege, and you must besiege it. It is a sign to the house of Israel.ⁿ

^a "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^b "Man." M, *ish*; LXX, *a.nēr'*; Vg, *vir*. ^c Literally, "pour out." M. ^d "Put." The Hebrew verb here is in the infinitive construct form, but carries forward the imperative idea of the preceding verbs in the sentence.

4 "And as for you, lie upon your left side, and you must lay the error of the house of Israel upon it.^r For the number of the days that you will lie upon it you will carry their error.^s And I myself must give to you the years of their error^t to the number of three hundred and ninety days,^u and you must carry the error of the house of Israel. ^s And you must complete them.

"And you must lie upon your right side in the second case, and you must carry the error of the house of Judah forty days.^v A day for a year, a day for a year, is what I have given you.^v And to the siege of Jerusalem you will fix your face,^z with your arm bared,^{*} and you must prophesy against it.

8 "And, look! I will put cords upon you that you may not turn yourself from your one side to your other side, until you will have completed the days of your siege.^o

9 "And as for you, take for yourself wheat^a and barley^b and broad beans^c and lentils^d and millet^e and spelt,^f and you must put them in one utensil and make them into bread^a for you, for the number of the days that you are lying upon your side; three hundred and ninety days you will eat it.^k ¹⁰ And your food that you will eat will be by weight—twenty shekels a day.ⁿ From time to time you will eat it.

11 "And water you will drink merely by measure, the sixth part of a hin.^{br} From time to time you will drink.

12 "And as a round cake of barley you will eat it; and as for it, upon dung^s cakes of the

^a Or, "food." ^b A hin was a liquid measure equal to 1 gallon, 1 quart and 1.8 pints.

r2Ki 17:21

sLe 10:17

Le 16:22

Isa 53:11

Mt 8:17

Heb 9:28

1Pe 2:24

tNu 14:34

Isa 53:6

u1Ki 12:19

1Ki 12:30

2Ki 25:8

2Ch 36:21

v2Ki 23:27

2Ch 36:21

Jer 1:2

Jer 52:12

yNu 14:34

z2Ki 25:1

2Ch 36:17

Jer 52:4

*Isa 52:10

Isa 53:1

oEze 3:25

a1Ki 5:11

b1Ch 11:13

2Sa 17:28

c2Sa 23:11

*Isa 28:25

*Ex 9:32

kEze 4:5

nLe 26:26

De 28:51

Isa 3:1

Eze 14:13

rEze 45:24

s1Ki 14:10

Job 20:7

Zep 1:17

tDe 23:13

uDa 1:8

Ho 9:3

vJer 1:6

Jer 4:10

Jer 14:13

Eze 9:8

Eze 20:49

yAc 10:14

zEx 22:31

Le 7:24

Le 17:15

*Le 7:18

Le 19:7

De 14:3

Isa 65:4

Isa 66:17

o2Ki 9:37

Job 20:7

Ps 83:10

Jer 25:33

Lu 13:8

*Le 26:26

Ps 105:16

Isa 3:1

Eze 5:16

*De 28:48

La 1:11

La 4:9

La 5:9

*Eze 12:18

*Le 26:39

Eze 24:23

*Le 21:5

Isa 7:20

Eze 44:20

*Da 5:27

excrement^t of mankind^a you will bake it before their eyes." ¹³ And Jehovah went on to say: "Just like this the sons of Israel will eat their bread unclean among the nations to which I shall disperse them."^u

14 And I proceeded to say: "Alas, O Lord Jehovah!^{bv} Look! My soul^c is not a defiled one;^v neither a dead body nor a torn animal have I eaten from my youth up,^z even until now, and into my mouth there has come no foul flesh."^{**}

15 And he went on to say to me: "See, I have given you cattle manure^o instead of the dung cakes of mankind,^a and you must make your bread upon it." ¹⁶ And he continued saying to me: "Son of man, here I am breaking the rods around which ring-shaped loaves are suspended,^{da} in Jerusalem, and they will have to eat bread by weight and in anxious care,^o and it will be by measure and in horror that they will drink water itself,⁺ ¹⁷ to the intent that they may be lacking bread and water and they may look astonished at one another and rot away in their error."^o

5 "And as for you, O son of man, take for yourself a sharp sword. As a barbers' razor you will take it for yourself, and you must make it pass along upon your head and upon your beard,^{*} and you must take for yourself weighing scales⁺ and divide [the hair]^e in portions. ² A third you will burn in the very fire in the midst

^a "Mankind," M, *ha-a-dam'*. ^b "Lord Jehovah!" M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho-wih'*; LXX, *Ky'rios The-os'* ("Jehovah God"); Vg, *Do'mi-nus De'us*; Sy, "God the Lord of lords"; T, "Jehovah God!" Luther German, *Herr Herr!* ^c "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-che'*; Vg, *a'n'i-ma*. ^d Literally, "the rod of bread," M. ^e Literally, "divide them," M.

of the city as soon as the days of the siege have come to the full.^k And you must take another third. You will strike [it] with the sword all around her,ⁿ and the [last] third you will scatter to the wind,^a and I shall draw out a sword itself after them.^r

3 "And you must take therefrom a few in number and wrap them up in your skirts."⁴ And some of them you will yet take and you must pitch them into the midst of the fire and incinerate them in the fire.^t From one^b a fire will go forth to all the house of Israel.^u

5 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'This is Jerusalem.^v In the midst of the nations I have set her, with lands all around her.'⁶ And she proceeded to behave rebelliously against my judicial decisions in wickedness more than the nations,^z and against my statutes more than the lands that are all around her,⁷ for my judicial decisions they rejected and, as for my statutes, they did not walk in them.¹⁰

7 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that you people were more turbulent^c than the nations that are all around you, in my statutes you did not walk and my judicial decisions you did not perform; but according to the judicial decisions of the nations that are all around you, you performed, did you not?'⁸ Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: 'Here I am against you, [O city],^d even I,⁹ and I will execute in the

kJer 9:21
Eze 4:8

nJer 15:2
Jer 24:10
Jer 38:2

rLe 26:33
Jer 9:16
Eze 12:14
Am 3:1
s2Kl 25:12
Jer 39:10
Jer 40:5
Jer 52:16

t2Kl 25:25
Jer 41:2
uJer 4:4

vJer 6:6
Eze 4:1
Lu 19:41
yDe 4:6
Eze 16:14
Mic 5:7
Mt 5:14

zDe 32:15
2Kl 17:8
Eze 16:47
Jude 4
*Ro 2:14
1Co 5:1
qNe 9:16

Ps 78:10
Jer 5:3
Jer 8:5
Jer 9:6
Jer 11:10
Zec 7:11

a2Kl 21:11
2Ch 33:9
Jer 2:11
Eze 16:47
De 29:20
Jer 21:5
Jer 21:13
La 1:24
Eze 15:7
Eze 21:3
Mt 22:7

*De 29:24
1Kl 9:8
Jer 22:8
Jer 24:9
Jer 50:7
De 2:15
eLa 4:6
Da 9:12
Am 3:2
Mt 24:21
*Le 26:29
De 28:53
2Kl 6:29
Isa 9:20
Isa 49:26
Jer 19:9
La 2:20
La 4:10
*Le 26:33
De 4:27
De 28:64
Ne 1:8
Ps 44:11
Jer 9:16
Zec 2:17
k2Kl 21:7
2Ch 33:4
2Ch 36:14
nDe 1:25
Jer 16:18
rPs 107:39
Jer 10:24
sDe 29:20
Eze 7:4
tLa 2:21
Zec 11:6
uJer 21:9
Eze 6:12
vJer 15:2
yZec 13:8
zJer 9:16
Eze 6:8
Zec 7:14
*Le 26:33
Jer 42:16
Eze 12:14
Am 9:1
qJer 25:12
La 4:11
Da 9:2
*Eze 16:42
De 32:36
Isa 1:24
Zec 6:8
*Ex 20:5
Jos 24:19
Ps 119:139
Isa 59:17

midst of you judicial decisions in the eyes of the nations.^{*} ⁹ And I will do in you that which I have not done and the like of which I shall not do any more by reason of all your detestable things.⁶

10 "Therefore fathers themselves will eat sons in the midst of you," and sons themselves will eat their fathers, and I will execute in you acts of judgment and scatter all the remainder of you to every wind.^{"a"}

11 "Therefore as I am alive," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'surely for the reason that it was my sanctuary that you defiled with all your disgusting things^k and with all your detestable things,ⁿ I myself also am the One that will diminish [you]^r and my eye will not feel sorry^s and I myself also will not show compassion.^t ¹² A third of you—by the pestilence they will die,^u and by famine they will come to their end in the midst of you.^v And another third—by the sword they will fall all around you.^y And the [last] third I shall scatter even to every wind,^z and a sword is what I shall draw out after them.^{*} ¹³ And my anger will certainly come to its finish^c and I will appease my rage on them^a and comfort myself;⁶ and they will have to know that I myself, Jehovah, have spoken in my insistence on exclusive devotion,⁷ when I bring my rage to its finish upon them.

14 "And I shall make you^b a devastated place and a reproach among the nations that are all around you^b before the eyes of every

^a "Wind." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma; Vg, ven'tus. Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^b "One"; in the masculine gender in M. ^c Or, by a correction, "rebellious." ^d "You, [O city]." The pronoun "you" is in the feminine gender, singular number, and refers to the city of Jerusalem.

^a "Wind." M, ru'ahh; LXX, a'ne-mos; Vg, ven'tus. That is, every direction or quarter to which the wind blows. ^b "You." The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, and refers to the city of Jerusalem.

passer-by.^a ¹⁵ And you^a must become a reproach^{*} and an object of reviling words,^{*} a warning example^k and a horror to the nations that are all around you,^a when I do in you^a acts of judgment in anger and in rage and in raging reproaches.ⁿ I myself, Jehovah, have spoken.

16 “When I send the injurious arrows of the famine upon them,^r which must prove to be for ruination, which [arrows] I shall send to bring you people to ruin,^s even famine I shall increase upon you people and I will break your rods around which ring-shaped loaves are suspended.^{bt} ¹⁷ And I will send upon you people famine and injurious wild beasts,ⁿ and they must bereave you^a of children,^v and pestilence^v and blood themselves will pass along through you,^{az} and a sword I shall bring in upon you.^a I myself, Jehovah, have spoken.”

6 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² “Son of man, set your face toward the mountains of Israel^o and prophesy to them.^a ³ And you must say, ‘O mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord Jehovah: ⁴ This is what the Lord Jehovah has said to the mountains and to the hills,^{*} to the stream beds and to the valleys: ‘Here I am! I am bringing upon you a sword, and I shall certainly destroy your high places.^e ⁵ And your altars must be made desolate^x and your incense stands must be broken,^{*} and I will cause your slain ones to fall before your dungy idols.^k ⁶ And I will put the carcasses^o of the sons of Israel before their dungy idols,ⁿ and I will scatter your bones all around

Le 26:31
De 28:37
2Ch 7:20
Ne 2:17
Ps 79:4
Jer 24:9
De 29:24
1Ki 9:7
k1Co 10:11
nIsa 66:15
Eze 25:17

rEze 14:21

sDe 32:23
Ps 7:13
Ps 91:6

tLe 26:26
Eze 4:16
uEx 23:29
Le 26:22
2Ki 17:25
vJer 15:7
yEze 38:22
zEze 14:19
Eze 21:3

oJos 11:21
Eze 19:9
Eze 33:28
Eze 34:14
Mic 6:1
AEze 36:1
oJer 22:29
Mic 6:2
Jer 3:23

oLe 26:30
Isa 27:9
2Ch 14:5
2Ch 34:4
kLe 26:30
1Ki 13:2
2Ki 23:14
Jer 8:1
oAm 8:3

n1Ki 15:12

oGe 27:39
rJer 8:2
sIsa 6:11
Jer 9:19
tIsa 32:14
Jer 2:15
Mic 3:12
uJer 17:3
Eze 16:39
vHo 10:2

yEze 30:13
Mic 1:7
zIsa 17:8
Ps 109:13

oJer 14:18
Jer 25:33
2Ki 19:19
Ps 83:18

oJer 30:11
Ro 9:27
Ro 11:5

oGe 14:14
De 30:1
Ps 137:1
Zec 10:9
oPs 78:40
Isa 7:13

oNu 15:39
Eze 20:7

oIsa 64:6
Eze 20:43

kJer 5:12
Jer 44:28
Eze 14:23
Da 9:12
Zec 1:6

nNu 24:10
Eze 21:14
rJer 30:7
Joe 1:15
Jer 15:2
tJer 16:4
uJer 24:10
Eze 5:12
vDa 9:7

YOUR altars.^r ⁶ In all your dwelling^o places^s the cities themselves will become devastated^t and the high places themselves will become desolated, in order that they may lie devastated^u and your altars may lie desolated and be actually broken^v and your dungy idols may be actually made to cease^v and your incense stands cut down^z and your works blotted out.^{*} ⁷ And the slain one will certainly fall in the midst of you,^o and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.^a

8 “And when it occurs I will let you have as a remnant the ones escaping from the sword among the nations, when you get scattered among the lands.^o ⁹ And your escaped ones will certainly remember me among the nations to which they will have been taken captive,^o because I have been broken up at their adulterous heart that has turned aside from me^o and at their eyes that are going adulterously after their dungy idols;ⁿ and they will certainly feel a loathing in their faces at the bad things that they have done in all their detestable things.^{*} ¹⁰ And they will have to know that I am Jehovah; not in vain did I speak about doing to them this calamitous thing.”^k

11 “This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, ‘Clap your handsⁿ and stamp with your foot, and say: ‘Alas!’ on account of all the bad detestable things of the house of Israel,^r because by the sword,^{*} by the famine^t and by the pestilence they will fall.^u ¹² As for the one far away,^v by the pestilence he will die; and as for the one that is nearby, by the sword he will fall; and as for the one that has been left remaining and that has been safeguarded, by the

^a “You.” The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, and refers to the city of Jerusalem. ^b Literally, “the rod of bread,” M.

famine he will die, and I will bring to its finish my rage against them.^y ¹³ And you people will have to know that I am Jehovah,^z when their slain ones come to be in the midst of their dungy idols,^{*} all around their altars,^o upon every high hill,^a on all the tops of the mountains^o and under every luxuriant tree^{*} and under every branchy big tree,^e the place where they have offered a restful^a odor to all their dungy idols.^{*} ¹⁴ And I will stretch out my hand against them^{*} and make the land a desolate waste, even a desolation worse than the wilderness toward Dib'lah,^{b,k} in all their dwelling places. And they will have to know that I am Jehovah.^y

7 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "And as for you, O son of man, this is what the Lord Jehovah has said to the soil of Israel, 'An end, the end, has come upon the four extremities^e of the land.^{dn} ³ Now the end is upon you,^e and I must send my anger against you,^r and I will judge you according to your ways^s and bring upon you all your detestable things. ⁴ And my eye will not feel sorry for you,^t neither will I feel compassion, for upon you I shall bring your own ways, and in the midst of you your^e own detestable things will come to be;^u and you people will have to know that I am Jehovah.'^v

⁵ "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'A calamity, a unique calamity, look! it is com-

^a Or, "soothing; tranquilizing; appeasing." ^b "Dib'lah," M; "Rib'lah," some Hebrew manuscripts, later than the Codex Bezae Cantabrigiae Petropolitanus of A.D. 916. ^c Literally, "wings," M. ^d Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^e This personal pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the soil or ground of Israel. (Verse 2)

^yLa 4:22
Eze 5:13
^zEx 7:5
Ex 14:4
2Ki 19:19
Ps 83:18
Eze 7:4
Eze 11:10
Eze 12:15
Eze 13:9
Eze 14:8
Eze 15:7
Eze 20:38
Eze 38:23
^{*}Eze 6:4
^oJer 8:2
^aJer 2:20
^k2Ki 16:4
Jer 3:6
Ho 4:13
^b1Ki 14:23
^eIsa 57:5
^sIsa 65:3
^rIsa 5:25
^{dn}Nu 34:11
2Ki 25:6

ⁿGe 6:13
De 32:20
La 4:18
Am 8:2
1Pe 4:7
^rEze 5:13
^aEze 11:10
Eze 18:30
Eze 33:20
^tJer 13:14
Eze 5:11
Zec 11:6

^uJer 16:18
Eze 11:21
Eze 16:43
^vEze 6:13

^y2Ki 21:12
Da 9:12
Am 3:2
^zJer 44:27
^oEze 21:25
Eze 39:8
2Pe 2:6
^aIsa 13:22
Eze 12:23
Zep 1:14
^eIsa 22:5
Jer 20:7
^s2Ch 34:21
Ps 79:6
Eze 20:8
Eze 36:18
^rIsa 42:25
Jer 7:20
La 4:11
Na 1:6
^kEze 11:10
Eze 18:30
^eEze 7:3
^sJer 13:14
Eze 5:11
ⁿJer 15:5
^rJer 16:18
Eze 11:21
Eze 16:43
^aIsa 9:13
Mic 6:9
2Ki 21:12
Da 9:12
Am 3:2
^uEze 7:7
^yIsa 10:5
^{dn}De 17:12
Pr 21:24
Jer 50:31
^mPs 125:3
^sIsa 59:6
Jer 6:7
Am 6:3
Mic 6:12

^oIsa 24:1

ing.^y ⁶ An end itself must come.^z The end must come; it must awaken for you.^a Look! It is coming.^o ⁷ The garland^b must come to you,^c O inhabitant of the land,^d the time must come, the day is near.^a There is confusion,^e and not the shouting of the mountains.

⁸ "Now shortly I shall pour out my rage upon you^a and I will bring my anger against you to its finish,^e and I will judge you according to your ways^s and bring upon you all your detestable things.^{*} ⁹ Neither will my eye feel sorry^k nor shall I feel compassion.ⁿ According to your ways shall I do the bringing upon you yourself, and your own detestable things will come to be right in the midst of you;^r and you people will have to know that I, Jehovah, am doing the striking.^s

¹⁰ "Look! The day! Look! It is coming.^t The garland^b has gone forth.^u The rod has blossomed.^v Presumptuousness has sprouted.^y ¹¹ Violence itself has risen up^z into a rod of wickedness.^m It is not from them, nor is it from their wealth; and it is not from them themselves, nor is there any eminency^e in them. ¹² The time must come, the day must arrive. As regards the buyer, let him not rejoice; and as regards the seller, let him not go into mourning, for there is hot feeling against all its crowd.^o ¹³ For to what was sold the seller himself will not return, while their life is yet among the living ones, for the

^a This personal pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the soil or ground of Israel. (Verse 2) ^b Or, "the turn [of events]"; the meaning or application of the Hebrew word is obscure. ^c Here the personal pronoun is in the masculine gender, singular number, to refer to "inhabitant." ^d Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^e Or, "lamentation; wailing." The word is obscure in meaning.

vision is for all its crowd. No one will return, and they will not possess themselves each one^a of his own life by his own error.

14 "They have blown the trumpet⁹ and there has been a preparing of everybody, but there is no one going to the battle, because my hot feeling is against all its crowd.¹⁰ The sword is outside and the pestilence and the famine are inside.¹¹ Whoever is in the field, by the sword he will die, and whoever are in the city, famine and pestilence themselves will devour them.¹² And their escapees will certainly make their escape¹³ and become on the mountains like the doves of the valleys,¹⁴ all of which are moaning, each one in his own error.¹⁵ As for all the hands, they keep dropping down;¹⁶ and as for all knees, they keep dripping with water.¹⁷ And they have girded on sackcloth,¹⁸ and shuddering has covered them;¹⁹ and on all faces there is shame²⁰ and on all their heads there is baldness.²¹

19 "Into the streets they will throw their very silver, and an abhorrent thing their own gold will become.²² Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them in the day of Jehovah's fury.²³ Their souls²⁴ they will not satisfy, and their intestines they will not fill, for it has become a stumbling block causing their error.²⁵ And the decoration of one's ornament—one has set it as reason for pride,²⁶ and their detestable images,²⁷ their disgusting things,²⁸ they have made with it.²⁹ That is why

^a "Each one." M, *ish*. ^b Because of urinating under the pressure of fear. ^c "Souls." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chai*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^d "It." In the masculine gender, singular number, to refer, possibly, to the precious metal.

Jer 4:5
Jer 6:1
Jer 51:27

Isa 24:3
Jer 6:11
Jer 7:20
Jer 12:12
De 32:25
La 1:20

Jer 14:18
Jer 15:2
Eze 5:12
Ezr 9:15
Isa 1:9
Isa 37:31
Eze 6:8

Isa 58:14
Isa 59:11
nPr 5:11
Isa 13:7
Jer 6:24
Heb 2:12
mEze 21:7

Isa 3:24
Isa 15:3
Jer 6:26
Jer 48:37
Am 8:10
LXX 21:6

Ps 55:5
uPs 35:26
Jer 3:25
Isa 15:2
Isa 22:12
y2K1 7:8
zNu 35:31
Ps 78:31
Pr 11:4
Zep 1:18

Eze 44:12
Jer 7:4
2K1 21:7
Ge 1:26
Jer 7:30
Jer 32:34
Eze 8:6

Jer 7:14
La 1:17

2Ch 36:19

Jer 18:17
Nu 18:32
2Ch 36:14
k2Ch 36:19
nJer 27:2
Jer 40:1
Na 3:10
rGe 9:6

2K1 21:16
2K1 24:4
Jer 2:34
Jer 22:17
sIsa 59:6
Ho 4:2
Mic 2:2

tPs 106:41
Eze 21:31
Hab 1:6
uJer 6:12
La 5:2
vIsa 5:14

Eze 33:28
yEze 21:2
zIsa 57:21
Jer 8:15
Mic 1:12
1Th 5:3

Le 26:28
De 32:23
Jer 4:30
Jer 21:2
Jer 37:17
Ps 74:9

Jer 18:18
La 2:9
Eze 20:1
Jer 52:8
Eze 45:7
Eze 19:1
Eze 21:25

Isa 3:11
Mt 7:2
Jas 2:13
Eze 6:13

I will make it to them an abhorrent thing.²¹ And I will give it into the hand of the strangers for plunder and to the wicked ones of the earth for spoil,²² and they will certainly profane it.

22 "And I shall have to turn away my face from them,²³ and they will actually profane my hidden things,²⁴ and into it²⁵ robbers will actually come and profane it.²⁶

23 "Make the chain,²⁷ for the land²⁸ itself has become full of bloodstained judgment²⁹ and the city itself has become full of violence.³⁰

24 And I will bring in the worst ones of the nations,³¹ and they will certainly take possession of their houses,³² and I will cause the pride of the strong ones to cease,³³ and their sanctuaries must be profaned.³⁴ There will come anguish, and they will certainly seek peace but there will be none.³⁵ There will come disaster upon disaster,³⁶ and there will occur report upon report, and people will actually seek a vision from a prophet,³⁷ and the law itself will perish from a priest and counsel from elderly men.³⁸ The king himself will go into mourning;³⁹ even a chieftain⁴⁰ will clothe himself with horror,⁴¹ and the very hands of the people of the land⁴² will become terrified. According to their way I shall act toward them, and with their judgments I shall judge them;⁴³ and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.⁴⁴

^a Or, "place." ^b "It." In the feminine gender, singular number, doubtless referring to the holy city. ^c Or, by a slight correction of the Hebrew word, "slaughter." ^d Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^e Literally, "judgment of bloods." M, *f*. "The people of the land." M, *am ha-ar'ets*. Not yet used in a contemptuous sense. See Jeremiah 1:18, footnote b.

8 And it came about in the sixth year,^k in the sixth [month], on the fifth day of the month, that I was sitting in my house and the older men of Judah were sitting before me, when the hand of the Lord Jehovah proceeded to fall upon me there.^{n 2} And I began to see, and, look! a likeness similar to the appearance of fire;^r from the appearance of his hips even downward there was fire,^s and from his hips even upward there was something like the appearance of a shining, like the glow^a of electrum.^{bt 3} Then he thrust out the representation of a hand^u and took me by a tuft of hair of my head, and a spirit^{cv} carried me between the earth and the heavens^v and brought me to Jerusalem in the visions of God,^d to the entrance of the inner gate that is facing northward,^z where the dwelling place is of the symbol of jealousy^s that is inciting to jealousy.^z And, look! the glory of the God^d of Israel was there,^a like the appearance that I had seen in the valley plain.^z

5 And he proceeded to say to me: "Son of man, please, raise your eyes^r in the direction of the north." So I raised my eyes in the direction of the north, and, look! to the north of the gate of the altar there was this symbol^e of jealousy^s in the entranceway. ^o And he went on to say to me: "Son of man, are you seeing what great detestable things they are doing,^s the things

^a Literally, "eye," M. ^b See Ezekiel 1:4, footnote g. ^c "A spirit." M, ru'akh; LXX, pneuma; Vg, spir'itus. Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^d "God," M, Elohim. Compare Ezekiel 1:1, footnote b. ^e "The gate of the altar there was this symbol," M. "The gate toward the sunrising . . ." LXXSy; possibly also in M by substitution of a similar letter. By a slight altering of the vowel point, M could read: "The gate, there was the altar of this symbol."

*Ps 78:60
Jer 26:6
La 2:6

that the house of Israel are doing here [for me] to become far off from my sanctuary?^z And yet you will see again great detestable things."

7 Accordingly he brought me to the entrance of the courtyard, and I began to see, and, look! a certain hole in the wall.^{k 3} He now said to me: "Son of man, bore, please, through the wall."ⁿ And I gradually bored through the wall, and, look! there was a certain entrance. ^o And he further said to me: "Go in and see the bad detestable things that they are doing here."^r ¹⁰ So I went in and began to see, and, look! there was every representation^s of creeping things and loathsome beasts,^t and all the dungy idols of the house of Israel,^u the carving being upon the wall all round about. ¹¹ And seventy men^a of the elderly ones of the house of Israel,^v with Ja-az-a-ni'ah^b the son of Sha'phan^v standing in among them, were standing before them, each one with his censer in his hand, and the perfume of the cloud of the incense^z was ascending.^z ¹² And he proceeded to say to me: "Have you seen, O son of man, what the elderly ones of the house of Israel are doing in the darkness,^z each one in the inner rooms of his showpiece? For they are saying, 'Jehovah is not seeing us.^{cu} Jehovah has left the land.'^{da}

13 And he continued on to say to me: "You will yet see again great detestable things that they are doing."¹⁴ So he brought me to the entrance of the gate of the house of Jehovah, which is toward the north,^t and, look! there the

*Eze 44:4
Eze 46:9

^a "Men." M, ish. ^b "Ja.az.a-ni'ah." M, Ya.a-zan-ya'hu; meaning "Yah(u) gives ear." ^c Or, "There is no Jehovah seeing us." ^d Or, "earth." M, er'ets.

women were sitting,⁹ weeping over the [god] Tam'muz.^a

15 And he further said to me: "Have you seen [this], O son of man? You will yet see again great detestable things worse than these."¹⁰ So he brought me to the inner courtyard of the house of Jehovah,¹¹ and, look! at the entrance of the temple of Jehovah, between the porch and the altar,¹² there were about twenty-five men¹³ with their backs to the temple of Jehovah¹⁴ and their faces to the east, and they were bowing down to the east, to the sun.¹⁵ And he went on to say to me: "Have you seen [this], O son of man? Is it such a light thing to the house of Judah to do the detestable things that they have done here, that they have to fill the land¹⁶ with violence¹⁷ and that they should offend me again, and here they are thrusting out the branch¹⁸ to my nose?¹⁹ And I myself also shall act in rage.²⁰ My eye will not feel sorry, neither shall I feel compassion.²¹ And they will certainly call out in my ears with a loud voice, but I shall not hear them."

9 And he proceeded to call out in my ears with a loud voice, saying: "CAUSE those giving their attention to the city to come near,² each one with his weapon in his hand for bringing ruin!"³

^a "The [god] Tam'muz." M, *ha-Tam.mûz'*; the name *Tam.mûz'* with the definite article *ha* ("the"). LXX, *ho Tham.mous'*; Vg, *A.do'nis*. ^b "Men." M, *ish*. ^c Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^d Or, "shoot; twig"; doubtless used in idolatrous worship. It may represent the human male organ. ^e "My nose." This, and not "their nose" (M), is the reading in the primitive Hebrew text. This is one of the Eighteen Emendations of the Sopherim, or *tigunei sopherim*, made by the Sopherim to do away with an apparent derogatory reference to Jehovah. See Appendix, page 398.

Jer 7:18

*2Ti 3:13
*2Ch 4:9
Eze 10:3
n2Ki 16:14
2Ch 7:7
Joe 2:17
rEze 11:1
s1Ki 8:29
2Ch 29:6
Jer 2:27
uDe 4:19
De 17:3
2Ki 23:5
Ac 7:42
cAm 8:9

vGe 6:13
2Ki 21:16
Jer 19:4
Jer 20:8
Eze 9:9
Am 3:10
Mic 6:12
Zep 1:9
yEze 5:13
Na 1:2
zEze 5:11
*Jg 10:14
Pr 1:28
Isa 1:15
Jer 11:11
Jer 14:12
Mic 3:4
Zec 7:13
Lu 13:25
cIsa 10:3
Jer 8:12
Jer 10:15
Jer 23:12
Ho 9:7
Lu 19:44
c1Ch 21:15
Isa 10:6
Re 11:18

2 And, look! there were six men^a coming from the direction of the upper gate that faces to the north,^b each one with his weapon for smashing in his hand; and there was one man^b in among them clothed with linen,^c with a recorder's inkhorn^c at his hips, and they proceeded to come in and stand beside the copper altar.^d

3 And as regards the glory of the God^d of Israel,^e it was taken up from over the cherubs^e over which it happened to be to the threshold of the house,^f and he began calling out to the man^f that was clothed with the linen,^g at whose hips there was the recorder's inkhorn.^c 4 And Jehovah went on to say to him: "Pass through the midst of the city," through the midst of Jerusalem, and you must put a mark^h on the foreheads of the men^a that are sighing and groaning^h over all the detestable things that are being done in the midst of it."ⁱ

5 And to these [others] he said in my ears:^j "Pass through the city after him and strike. Let not your eye feel sorry, and do not feel any compassion.^k Old man,^l young man^m and virginⁿ and little child^o and women^p you should kill off—to a ruination. But to any man^f upon whom there is the mark do not go near,^q and

*Jer 25:9
Re 19:14
cEx 28:42
*Le 16:4
cEx 40:29
2Ch 4:1
2Ch 7:7
*Eze 3:23
Eze 8:4
Eze 11:22
Eze 43:2
cDa 11:37
cGe 3:24

*Eze 10:4
kRe 19:8

nLu 21:20
r2Ti 2:19
Ps 119:53
Ps 119:136
Isa 57:15
2Co 12:21
2Pe 2:8
t2Ki 22:13
Eze 6:11
Eze 8:6
uIsa 5:9
vEx 32:27
De 32:39
Eze 5:11
Eze 7:4
y1Ki 18:40
zDe 3:6
*2Ch 36:17
cNu 31:17
Isa 15:3
cDe 2:34
cEx 12:23
Jos 2:18
Re 9:4

^a "Men." M, *a.nā.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. ^b "Man." M, *ish*. ^c Or, "writing case." ^d "God." M, *El.o.him'*; the plural number of *El.o'ah*. ^e Literally, "cherub," M; but doubtless in a collective sense. This is the first occurrence of the word in Ezekiel. See Ezekiel 1:22-28. ^f *Ish*, M. ^g Literally, "you must mark a mark," M. The Hebrew word for the noun "mark" is *taw*, and this name has been given to the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, which was anciently a cross mark (X). But this does not mean that the "mark" or *taw* put on the forehead was a cross. Compare Job 31:35, footnote g, where *taw* is translated "signature."

from my sanctuary YOU should start.” So they started with the old men^a that were before the house.⁶ And he said further to them: “Defile the house and fill the courtyards^c with the slain ones.” Go forth!” And they went forth and struck in the city.”

8 And it came about that, while they were striking and I was left remaining, I proceeded to fall upon my face^k and cry out and say: “Alas,” O Lord Jehovah!^b Are you bringing to ruin all the remaining ones of Israel while you are pouring out your rage upon Jerusalem?”

9 So he said to me: “The error of the house of Israel and Judah is very, very great,^s and the land is filled with bloodshed^t and the city is full of crookedness;^u for they have said, ‘Jehovah has left the land^{dv} and Jehovah is not seeing.’^{ey} And as for me also, my eye will not feel sorry,^z neither shall I show compassion.” Their way I shall certainly bring upon their own head.”

11 And, look! the man^f clothed with the linen,^a at whose hips there was the inkhorn,^g was bringing back word, saying: “I have done just as you have commanded me.”

10 And I continued to see, and, look! upon the expanse^{*} that was over the head of the cherubs there was something like sapphire stone,⁶ like the appearance of the likeness of a throne,^{*} appearing above them. ² And he proceeded to say to the man^f clothed with the

^a “Men.” M, *a-nā-shim*. ^b “Lord Jehovah!” M, *A.dō.nay* *Y’ho.wih*; Vg, *Do’minus Deus*; Sy, “Lord of lords”; T, “Jehovah God”; Luther German, *Herr Herr!* ^c Or, “deeds of blood.” Literally, “bloods.” M. ^d Or, “earth.” M, *er’ets*. ^e Or, “and there is no Jehovah seeing.” ^f “The man.” M, *ha-ish*. ^g Or, “writing case.”

*2K1 25:18
1Pe 4:17

62Th 1:9
2Th 2:8
2Zec 3:7

*2Ch 36:17
Ps 79:1
La 2:7
*2Ch 36:17
Jer 52:7

kNu 14:5
De 9:18
1Ch 21:16
nJer 4:10
Eze 4:14
rGe 18:23

sDe 31:29
2K1 17:7
2Ch 36:14
Isa 1:4
t2K1 21:16
Jer 2:34
Mt 23:35
Lu 11:50
uDe 32:5
Eze 22:29
vEze 8:12
yPs 10:11
Isa 29:15
zEze 7:4
*Eze 5:11
*De 32:41
2Ch 6:23
Heb 10:30
*Eze 9:2

*Mt 25:20

*Eze 1:22

*Re 4:3

*Isa 6:1
Da 7:9
Re 4:2

*Eze 9:2
Re 19:8
kEze 1:15
Eze 10:16
nPs 18:12
Ps 140:10
Isa 6:6
Eze 1:13
r2K1 25:9
Isa 30:30
Re 8:5

sEze 9:3
Eze 43:4

(Nu 16:19
Eze 1:28
uEx 40:35
1K1 8:10
2Ch 5:13
Eze 43:5
Hag 2:9
Re 15:8
vEze 1:24
y1K1 7:9
2Ch 4:9
*Da 9:4
*Joe 1:15
zDe 4:12
Ps 29:3
Ps 68:33
Joh 12:28
*Eze 1:15
*Ps 80:1
Ps 99:1

*Eze 1:13

*Eze 9:2

*Eze 1:8

*Eze 1:15

linen,^{*} even to say: “Enter in between the wheelwork,^k in under the cherubs,^a and fill the hollows of both your hands with coalsⁿ of fire from between the cherubs and toss [them] over the city.”^r So he entered in before my eyes.

3 And the cherubs were standing to the right of the house when the man^b entered, and the cloud was filling the inner courtyard.^s And the glory of Jehovah began to rise up from the cherubs^a by the threshold of the house,^t and the house gradually became filled with the cloud,^u and the courtyard itself was full of the brightness of the glory of Jehovah. ⁵ And the very sound of the wings of the cherubs^v made itself heard to the outer courtyard,^y like the sound of God⁶ Almighty^o when he speaks.^z

6 And it came about, when he commanded the man^b clothed with the linen, saying: “Take fire from between the wheelwork,^{*} from between the cherubs,^u that he proceeded to enter and stand beside the wheel. ⁷ Then the cherub thrust his hand out from between the cherubs to the fire that was between the cherubs^a and carried and put [it] into the hollows of the hands of the one clothed with the linen,⁶ who now took [it] and went out. ⁸ And there was seen belonging to the cherubs the representation of a hand of earthling man^d under their wings.”

9 And I continued to see, and, look! there were four wheels beside the cherubs, one wheel beside the one cherub and one wheel beside the other cherub,⁶ and the appearance of the wheels

^a “Cherubs,” LXXVg. Literally, “cherub.” M; but doubtless in the collective sense. ^b “Man.” M, *ish*. ^c “God Almighty.” M, *El Shad-dai*; LXX, *Theos* *Saddai*; Vg, *Deus omnipotens*. ^d “Earthling man.” M, *a-dam*.

was like the glow^a of a chrysolite stone.*¹⁰ And as for their appearance, the four of them had one likeness, just as when a wheel proves to be in the midst of a wheel.^{b*} ¹¹ When they would go, to their four sides^c they would go. They would not change direction when they went, because the place to which the head would face, after it they would go. They would not change direction when they went.^k ¹² And all their flesh and their backs and their hands and their wings and the wheels were full of eyes all around.ⁿ The four of them had their wheels. ¹³ As regards the wheels, to them it was called out in my ears, "O wheelwork!" ¹⁴ And [each] one had four faces.^r The first face was the face of the cherub,^s and the second face was the face of earthling man,^{dt} and the third was the face of a lion,^u and the fourth was the face of an eagle.^v

¹⁵ And the cherubs would rise^v—it was the [same] living creature that I had seen at the river Che'bar^z—¹⁶ and when the cherubs went, the wheels would go alongside them;* and when the cherubs lifted up their wings to be high above the earth, the wheels would not change direction, even they themselves, from alongside them.^q ¹⁷ When these stood still, they would stand still; and when these rose,^o they would rise with them, for the spirit^e of the living creature^f was in them.*

¹⁸ And the glory^g of Jehovah proceeded to go forth from over the threshold of the house and to stand still over the cherubs.* ¹⁹ And the cherubs

*Da 10:6
Re 21:20

*Eze 1:16

kEze 1:17
Eze 1:20

nEze 1:18
Re 4:6
Re 4:8

rEze 1:6

s1Ki 7:29
1Ki 7:36

tEze 1:10
Re 4:7

u1Ch 12:8
vIsa 40:31

vEze 11:22

zEze 1:3
Eze 1:13

Eze 43:3
*Eze 1:19

oEze 1:21

oEze 1:20

+Job 27:3
Zec 12:1

oEx 40:34
1Ki 8:11

2Ch 7:3
Eze 1:28

Eze 9:3
*Eze 10:3

Eze 11:23

began to lift up their wings and rise from the earth before my eyes.* When they went forth, the wheels also were close alongside them; and they began standing at the eastern^k entrance of the gate of the house of Jehovah, and the glory of the God^a of Israel was over them, from above.ⁿ

²⁰ This is the living creature^r that I had seen under the God^a of Israel at the river Che'bar,* so that I came to know that they were cherubs.^t ²¹ As for the four, [each] one had four faces^u and [each] one had four wings, and the likeness of the hands of earthling man^b was under their wings.^v ²² And as for the likeness of their faces, they were the faces the appearance of which I had seen by the river Che'bar, the very ones.^v They would go each one straight forward.^z

11 And a spirit^e proceeded to lift me up^d and bring me to the eastern gate of the house of Jehovah that is facing eastward,^a and, look! in the entrance of the gate there were twenty-five men,^d and I got to see in the midst of them Ja-az-a-ni'ah the son of Az'zur and Pe-la-ti'ah^e the son of Be-nai'ah,^f princes of the people.* ² Then he^g said to me: "Son of man, these are the men^h that are scheming hurtfulness and advising bad counsel against this city;^g ³ that are saying, 'Is not the building of houses close at hand?' Sheⁱ is the widemouthed cooking pot, and we are the flesh."^h

a "God." M, *Elo-him'*. b "Earthling man." M, *a-dam'*. c "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. d "Men." M, *ish*. e "Pe-la-ti'ah." M, *Pe-lat-ya'hu*; meaning "Yah(u) Has Provided Escape." f "Be-nai'ah." M, *Be-na-ya'hu*; meaning "Yah(u) Has Built." g "He," MVGT; "Jehovah," LXXSy. h "Men." M, *a-na-shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. i "She," in the feminine gender in M, to refer to the city of Jerusalem. (Verse 2)

^a Literally, "eye." M. ^b See Ezekiel 1:16, footnote a. ^c Or, "directions." ^d "Earthling man." M, *a-dam'*. ^e "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^f "The living creature," M; "life," LXXVg.

4 "Therefore prophesy against them. Prophesy, O son of man."^k

5 And the spirit^a of Jehovah proceeded to fall upon meⁿ and he went on to say to me: "Say, 'This is what Jehovah has said: ^r "You people said the right thing, O house of Israel; and as regards the things that come up in your spirit,^{bs} I myself have known it.^c ^o You have caused your slain ones in this city to be many, and you have filled her streets with the slain [ones]."^r "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'As regards your slain ones whom you people have put in the midst of her,^d they are the flesh,^u and she^d is the widemouthed cooking pot;^v and there will be a bringing forth^e of you yourselves out of the midst of her."^y

8 "A sword you have feared,^z and a sword I shall bring upon you,^z is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^{*} ^o And I shall certainly bring you forth out of the midst of her^d and give you into the hand of strangers^q and execute upon you acts of judgment.^a ¹⁰ By the sword you will fall.^o On the territory^f of Israel^z I shall judge you people;^o and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.^{*} ¹¹ She^d herself will not prove to be for you a widemouthed cooking pot,^u and you yourselves will not^g prove to be

^a Or, "active force." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneuma; Vg, spiritus. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^b Literally, "the ascents of your spirit [ru'ahh]," M. ^c "It." In the feminine gender, referring to the spirit.

^d Or, "it," in the feminine gender in M, to refer to the city of Jerusalem. ^e "There will be a bringing forth." The Hebrew verb here is understood to be in the infinitive absolute, and hence is impersonal and indefinite as to time. It is used as the subject of the sentence. Compare Deuteronomy 27:8, footnote a; Exodus 20:8, footnote l. ^f Or, "boundary; border." ^g "Not," LXXVgSy.

kIsa 58:1
Eze 3:17
Eze 20:46
Eze 21:2
nNu 11:25
Isa 10:6
Eze 2:2
Ac 10:44
rEze 2:4

sEze 20:32
1Co 2:11

t2Ki 21:16
Jer 2:34
Mt 23:35

uMic 3:3

vJer 1:13
Eze 11:3
yJer 52:27

zJer 38:19
Jer 42:14
*Isa 66:4
Jer 44:12
1Th 2:16

qDe 28:36
Ne 9:36
Ps 106:41
Jer 39:6

rEze 5:8
Eze 16:41
Jude 15

s2Ch 36:17
Jer 52:10
*Nu 34:2
Jos 13:6

t1Ki 8:65
2Ki 14:25
u2Ki 25:21
*Eze 6:13

*Jer 1:13
Eze 11:3

kMic 3:3

nLe 26:40
1Ki 11:33
2Ki 21:22
Ezr 9:7
Ne 9:34
Ps 78:10
Eze 20:16

rDe 12:30
2Ki 16:10
2Ki 21:2
2Ch 28:3
Ps 106:35

sDe 7:4
Pr 6:15
Ac 5:5
tPs 119:120

uEze 9:8
vDe 9:19
Ps 106:23

yIsa 66:5

zEze 33:24

*Le 26:44
De 30:3
2Ki 24:15
Ps 44:11
Jer 24:5

Jer 30:11
Jer 31:10
qPs 31:20
Ps 90:1
Ps 91:9
Pr 13:10

Jer 42:11
*Isa 11:11
Jer 24:6
Jer 30:10
Jer 32:37
Eze 34:13
Eze 36:24
Eze 37:21
Am 9:14

flesh in the midst of her.^k On the territory^a of Israel I shall judge you,¹² and you will have to know that I am Jehovah, because in my regulations you did not walk and my judgments you did not do,ⁿ but according to the judgments of the nations that are round about you, you have done.^r

13 And it came about that as soon as I prophesied Pel.a.ti'ah^b the son of Be.nai'ah^c himself died,^s and I proceeded to fall upon my face and cry with a loud voice^t and say: "Alas, O Lord Jehovah!^u Is it an extermination that you are executing with the remaining ones of Israel?"^v

14 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁵ "Son of man, as regards your brothers,^y your brothers, the men^d concerned with your claim for repurchasing, and all the house of Israel, all of it, are the ones to whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, 'Get far away from Jehovah. To us it belongs; the land has been given [us] as a thing to possess';^z ¹⁶ therefore say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Although I have put them far away among the nations, and although I have scattered them among the lands," yet I shall become to them a sanctuary for a little while^e among the lands to which they have come."¹⁷

17 "Therefore say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "I will also collect you from the peoples and gather you from the lands among which you have been scattered, and I will give you the soil of Israel."¹⁸ And they will certainly

^a Or, "boundary; border." ^b See verse 1, footnote e. ^c "Be.nai'ah." M, B'na-yah'. Compare verse 1, footnote f. ^d "Men." M, a.na-shim'; the plural number of ish. ^e Or, "in a little way."

come there and remove all its disgusting things and all its detestable things out of it.¹⁹ And I shall certainly give them one heart,^a and a new spirit^a I shall put inside them;^b and I shall certainly remove the heart of stone from their flesh^x and give them a heart of flesh,²⁰ in order that they may walk in my own statutes and keep my own judicial decisions and actually carry them out; and they may actually become my people^k and I myself may become their God.²¹ "But as for those whose heart is walking in^d their disgusting things and their detestable things,^r upon their head I shall certainly bring their own way," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.²²

22 And the cherubs proceeded to lift up their wings, and the wheels were close by them,^t and the glory^u of the God^c of Israel was over them, from above.^v 23 And the glory of Jehovah went ascending from over the midst of the city^v and began to stand over the mountain^z that is to the east of the city.²⁴ And a spirit^a itself lifted me up^a and finally brought me to Chal-de'a to the exiled people,^q in the vision by the spirit^e of God;^c and the vision that I had seen went ascending from upon me.²⁵ And I began to speak to the exiled people all the things of Jehovah that he had caused me to see.^x

12 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, in the midst of a rebellious house is where you are

^a "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneuma; Vg, spir'itus. ^b "Them." LXXVgSyT and many Hebrew manuscripts; "you," M. ^c "God." M, Eloh'aim'. ^d Literally, "into the heart of," M. ^e Or, "active force." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneuma; Vg, spir'itus. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d; 6:17 and 7:15, footnote d.

Jer 16:18
Eze 5:11
Eze 37:23
Ho 14:8
Col 3:5
Tit 2:12
De 30:6
2Ch 30:12
Jer 24:7
Jer 32:39
Ac 4:32
Ps 51:10
Ro 12:2
Eph 4:23
Col 3:10
Isa 48:4
Zec 7:12
Ro 2:5
Eze 36:26
KJer 11:4
nEze 14:11
rJer 17:9
Heb 3:12
sEze 9:10
Eze 22:31
tEze 1:19
Eze 10:19
uEx 40:34
1Ki 8:11
2Ch 7:3
Eze 1:28
Eze 9:3
vEze 10:18
yEze 8:4
Eze 9:3
Eze 10:4
Eze 43:4
zZec 14:4
Mt 24:3
Eze 43:2
Isa 31:3
Eze 3:14
Eze 8:3
Heb 1:7
AEze 11:1
Ac 8:39
2Co 12:2
Ps 137:1
Eze 1:3
Eze 3:15
Eze 11:5
Ge 17:22
Ge 35:13
2Pe 1:21
Eze 2:7

#De 29:4
Isa 6:9
Mt 13:13
KJer 5:21
Ro 11:8
nEze 2:5

rDe 32:29
Jer 18:11
sIsa 1:2

t2Ki 25:4
Jer 39:4
u2Ch 36:20
Jer 52:11

v2Ki 25:4
Jer 39:4

y2Sa 15:30
zDe 13:1
Eze 24:24
Isa 8:18
Eze 4:3

Isa 10:22
Eze 12:3

ADe 9:22
De 31:27
Jos 22:22
Ne 9:26
Ps 78:8
Ps 107:11
Isa 1:2
Eze 2:5
Eze 3:9
Eze 17:12
Eze 24:3
Eze 20:49
Eze 24:19

dwelling, that have eyes to see but they actually do not see,^a that have ears to hear but they actually do not hear,^k for they are a rebellious house.²³ As for you, O son of man, make up for yourself luggage for exile and go into exile in the daytime before their eyes, and you must go into exile from your place to another place before their eyes.^r Perhaps they will see, though^a they are a rebellious house.²⁴ And you must bring out your luggage like luggage for exile in the daytime before their eyes, and you yourself will go out in the evening^t before their eyes like those being brought forth for exile.^u

5 "Before their eyes bore your way through the wall, and you must do the bringing out through it.^v Before their eyes you will do the carrying on the shoulder itself. During the darkness you will do the bringing out. You will cover your very face that you may not see the earth,^y because a portent^z is what I have made you to the house of Israel."²⁵

7 And I proceeded to do just the way that I had been commanded. My luggage I brought out, just like luggage^q for exile, in the daytime; and in the evening I bored my way through the wall by hand. During the darkness I did the bringing out. On my shoulder I did the carrying, before their eyes.

8 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me in the morning, saying: ⁹ "Son of man, did not those of the house of Israel, the rebellious house,^a say to you, 'What are you doing?'" ¹⁰ Say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has

^a Or, "will see that." ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, A-do-nay' Y'ho-wih'; LXX, Ky'rios Ky'rios, the first occurrence in Ezekiel (LXX); Luther German, der Herr Herr.

said: "As regards the chieftain,* there is this pronouncement against Jerusalem^o and all the house of Israel who are in the midst of them."

¹¹ Say, 'I am a portent^c for you. Just as I have done, that is the way it will be done to them. Into exile, into captivity they will go.'¹² And as regards the chieftain who is in the midst of them, on the shoulder he will do carrying in the darkness and go out; through the wall they will bore in order to do the bringing forth through it.^k His face he will cover in order that he may not see with his own eye the earth.'¹³ And I shall certainly spread my net over him, and he must be caught in my hunting net;ⁿ and I will bring him to Babylon,^a to the land of the Chal-de'ans, but it he will not see; and there he will die.^r ¹⁴ And all who are round about him as a help, and all his military bands, I shall scatter to every wind;^{bs} and a sword I shall draw out after them.^t ¹⁵ And they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I disperse them among the nations and I actually scatter them among the lands.^u ¹⁶ And I will leave remaining from them a few men^c from the sword,^v from the famine and from the pestilence, in order that they may recount all their detestable things among the nations to whom they must come in;^y and they will have to know that I am Jehovah."^z

¹⁷ And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁸ "Son of man, with quaking your bread you should eat, and with agitation and with anxious care your water you should drink."¹⁹ And you must say to the people of the

^a "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^b "Wind." M, *ru'akh*; LXX, *a'ne.mos*; Vg, *ven'tus*. ^c "Men." M, *a.nā.shim*.

*Jer 21:7
Jer 24:8
Jer 38:18
Eze 21:25
2K1 9:25
Isa 13:1
Isa 14:28
Mal 1:1
De 13:1
Eze 24:24
Jer 15:2
Jer 52:15

k2K1 25:4
Jer 39:4
Jer 52:7

nJob 19:6
Ps 11:6
Isa 24:17
Jer 50:24
La 1:13
Eze 19:8
Ho 7:12
Lu 21:35
2K1 25:7
Jer 34:3
Jer 39:7
Jer 52:11
Eze 17:16
s2K1 25:5
Eze 5:10
tLe 26:33
Jer 42:16
Eze 14:17
uPs 9:16
Eze 6:13
vIsa 1:9
Isa 10:22
Jer 30:11
Eze 6:8
Ro 9:27
yLe 26:40
Eze 14:22
Da 9:5
zDe 29:24
Jer 22:8

*Le 26:26
De 28:48
Ps 80:5
La 5:9

land,^a 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said to the inhabitants of Jerusalem upon^b the soil of Israel: "With anxious care their bread they will eat,^c and with horror their water they will drink,^a in order that its land may be laid desolate of its fullness^d because of the violence of all those dwelling in it.^e ²⁰ And the inhabited cities themselves will be devastated,^o and the land itself will become a mere desolate waste;^x and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.'"¹

²¹ And the word of Jehovah occurred further to me, saying: ²² "Son of man, what is this proverbial saying that you people have on the soil of Israel,^k saying, 'The days are prolonged,ⁿ and every vision^o has perished?'^r ²³ Therefore say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "I shall certainly cause this proverbial saying to cease, and they will no more say it as a proverb in Israel."^s But speak to them, 'The days have drawn near,^t and the matter of every vision.' ²⁴ For there will no more prove to be any valueless vision^u nor double-faced^c divination in the midst of the house of Israel.^v ²⁵ "For I myself, Jehovah, shall speak what word I shall speak, and it will be done.^y There will be no postponement any more, for in your days,^z O rebellious house, I shall speak a word and certainly do it," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.'"

²⁶ And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ²⁷ "Son of man, look! those of the house of Israel are saying, 'The vision that he is visioning is many days off, and re-

1K1 17:12
2K1 25:3
ΔEze 4:16
ΔIsa 6:11
Jer 4:27
Zec 7:14
*Ge 6:11
Ps 107:34
Jer 6:7
Isa 64:10
Jer 4:7
Jer 25:9
Jer 34:22
Da 9:17
Jer 7:24
Isa 24:3
Jer 4:23
Jer 12:11
*Eze 6:13
kEze 18:2
nIsa 5:19
Eze 11:3
Am 6:3
Da 8:1
rJer 5:12
2Pe 3:4

sIsa 28:22
Eze 18:3
tJoe 2:1
Ob 15
Zep 1:14
Mal 4:1
Jas 5:8
uEze 13:23
v1K1 22:11
1K1 22:17
Jer 14:14
Jer 23:14
La 2:14
yIsa 14:24
Isa 55:11
La 2:17
Da 9:12
Zec 1:6
zJer 16:9
Hab 1:5

^a "The people of the land." See Ezekiel 7:27, footnote f. ^b Or, "concerning." M, *el*. "Upon," LXXVgT. ^c Or, "smooth."

specting times far off he is prophesying."²⁸ Therefore say to them, "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "There will be no postponement any more as to any words of mine. What word I shall speak, it will even be done," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah." "

13 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: "Son of man, prophesy concerning the prophets of Israel who are prophesying,^a and you must say to those prophesying out of their own heart,^b 'Hear the word of Jehovah.' " This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Woe to the stupid prophets,^c who are walking after their own spirit,^d when there is nothing that they have seen!" "Like foxes in the devastated places are what your own prophets have become, O Israel.^k " You men will certainly not go up into the gaps,ⁿ neither will you build up a stone wall^r in behalf of the house of Israel, in order to stand in the battle^b in the day of Jehovah."^s "They have visioned what is untrue and a lying divination,^t those who are saying, 'The utterance of Jehovah is,'^u when Jehovah himself has not sent them, and they have waited to have a word come true.^v " Is it not an untrue vision that you men have visioned, and a lying divination that you have said, when saying, 'The utterance of Jehovah is,' when I myself have spoken nothing?" "

8 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "For the reason that you men have spoken untruth and you have visioned a lie,

^a "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, kar.di'a ("heart"); Vg, spir'itus.
^b Or, "war."

*Isa 5:19
Isa 28:15
2Pe 3:4

Jer 44:28
Re 10:6
Re 14:15

*Isa 9:15
Isa 58:10
Jer 5:31
La 4:13

Mic 3:6
Zep 3:4
Zep 2:1

*Jer 11:14
Jer 23:16
Jer 28:15
Am 7:16

*Jer 23:1
Eze 34:2
*Pr 15:14
La 2:14

Ho 9:7
1Ti 6:4
*Jer 23:32
kCa 2:15

Mic 3:5
Ga 2:4
Eph 4:14
nEx 32:11

Ps 106:23
Ps 106:30
rEze 22:30
sIsa 2:12

Joe 1:15
Mal 4:5
1Th 5:2
2Pe 3:10

tEze 12:24
uJer 23:31
vPr 14:15
Jer 29:31

Jer 37:19
2Th 2:11
y2Ch 18:11
Jer 23:31

zJer 50:31
Eze 21:3
Na 2:13
Na 3:5
1Pe 3:12

*Ps 101:7
Jer 28:15
*Ps 111:1

*Ex 32:32
Eze 2:62
Ne 7:5
Ps 69:28

Isa 4:3
Da 12:1
Lu 2:1
Lu 10:20

Heb 12:23
Re 13:8
*Eze 20:38
*Ps 9:16

Eze 6:13
Eze 11:10
*2Ki 21:9
Pr 12:26

2Ti 3:13
*Isa 57:21
Jer 6:14
Jer 8:11

Jer 14:13
Jer 23:17
*2Ch 18:12
Isa 30:10

Eze 22:28
kPs 18:13
Isa 25:4
Eze 38:22

Mt 7:27
nJg 9:38
Jer 37:19

rLe 26:28
Ps 107:25
Isa 28:21
Hag 2:17

therefore here I am against you,"^z is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah." "And my hand has come to be against the prophets that are visioning untruth and that are divining a lie." In the intimate³ group of my people they will not continue on, and in the register^a of the house of Israel they will not be written,^a and to the soil of Israel they will not come;^b and you people^b will have to know that I am the Lord Jehovah,^c "for the reason, yes, for the reason that they have led my people astray,^d saying, "There is peace!" when there is no peace,^e and there is one that is building a partition wall, but in vain there are those plastering it with whitewash."^f

11 "Say to those plastering with whitewash that it will fall. A flooding downpour will certainly occur, and you, O hailstones, will fall,^d and a blast^e of windstorms itself will cause a splitting.^k " And, look! the wall must fall. Will it not be said to you men, 'Where is the coating^f with which you did the plastering?' "

13 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'I will also cause a blast^e of windstorms to burst forth in my rage, and in my anger there will occur a flooding downpour, and in rage there will be hailstones for an extermination.^r " And I will tear down the wall that you men have plastered with whitewash and bring it into contact with the earth, and its founda-

^a Literally, "writing," M. ^b "You people," MVgSyT; "they," LXX. ^c "The Lord Jehovah," M; "Jehovah," LXX; "the Lord [or, Jehovah] God," Vg; "the Lord of lords," Sy; "Jehovah God," T. ^d "And you, O hailstones, will fall," M; "and I shall give hurling-stones against their bondings, and they will fall," LXX; "and I shall give very large stones rushing from above," Vg. ^e "Blast," M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma; Vg, ventus ("wind"). ^f Or, "plaster."

tion must be exposed.^s And she^a will certainly fall, and YOU must come to an end in the midst of her;^a and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.^t

15 "And I will bring my rage to its finish upon the wall and upon those plastering it with whitewash, and I shall say to YOU men: "The wall is no more, and those plastering it are no more,^u ¹⁶ the prophets of Israel that are prophesying to Jerusalem and that are visioning for her a vision of peace,^v when there is no peace,"^{''} is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^v

17 "And as for you, O son of man, set your face^z against the daughters of your people who are acting as prophetesses^{*} out of their own heart,^q and prophesy against them. ¹⁸ And you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Woe to the women sewing bands together upon all elbows^b and making veils upon the head of every size in order to hunt souls!^c Are the souls^c that YOU women hunt down the ones belonging to my people, and the souls^c belonging to YOU the ones that YOU preserve alive?^q ¹⁹ And will YOU profane^r me toward my people for the handfuls of barley^o and for the morsels of bread, in order to put to death the souls^c that ought not to die^{*} and in order to preserve alive the souls^c that ought not to live by YOUR lie to my people, the hearers of a lie?"^{''}

20 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Here I am against the bands of YOU

^a Or, "it." This personal pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, and so referring not to the wall (masculine), but, possibly, to the city. ^b Literally, "the joints of hands," M. ^c "Souls." M, *n'pha-shōth*; the feminine gender, plural number, of *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai*; Vg, *a'ni-mae*.

sPs 11:3
Mic 1:6
Hab 3:13
Mt 7:27

tEze 6:13
Eze 14:8

uPs 62:3
Isa 30:13

vJer 5:31
Jer 6:14
Jer 8:11
Jer 23:9
Jer 29:31
Isa 48:22

Isa 57:21
zEze 4:3
Eze 20:46

*Ex 15:20
2Kl 22:14
Lu 2:36

qIsa 3:16
Re 2:20

AEze 22:25
Eph 4:14
2Pe 2:14

q2Ti 3:6

*Eze 20:39
Eze 22:26
ePr 28:21
Mic 3:11

Mal 1:10
Ro 16:18
*Ro 14:15
1Co 8:11

*Jer 23:14
Jer 23:17

women, with which YOU are hunting down the souls^a as though they were flying things,^b and I will rip them from off YOUR arms and let go^c the souls^a that YOU are hunting down, souls^d as though they were flying things.^{bic} ²¹ And I will rip away YOUR veils and deliver my people out of YOUR hand, and they will no more prove to be in YOUR hand something caught in the hunt; and YOU will have to know that I am Jehovah.ⁿ ²² By reason of dejecting the heart of a righteous one with falsehood,^r when I myself had not caused him pain, and for making the hands of a wicked one strong^s so that he would not turn back from his bad way in order to preserve him alive,^t ²³ therefore untruth YOU women will not keep on visioning and divination^u YOU will divine^v no longer;^v and I will deliver my people out of YOUR hand,^z and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.^{''}

14 And men^e from the elderly ones of Israel^q proceeded to come to me and sit down before me.^a ² And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ³ "Son of man, as regards these men,^e they have brought up their dungy idols^o upon their heart, and the stumbling block causing their error they have put in front of their faces.^q Shall I be inquired of at all by them?^{''} ⁴ Therefore speak with them and you must say to them, 'This is

^a "Souls." M, *n'pha-shōth*; the feminine gender, plural number, of *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai*; Vg, *a'ni-mae*. ^b Or, "as though flies." ^c More literally, "and send away," M. ^d "Souls." M, *n'pha-shim*; the masculine gender, plural number, of *neph'esh*. The only place where it occurs in M; hence probably meant to read (by a correction) *haph-shim* ("free ones"). ^e "Men." M, *a-nū-shim*; the plural number of *ish*.

k2Ti 3:8

nPs 9:16
Eze 6:13
Eze 11:30
rJer 4:10
Jer 27:14

sJer 23:14

tJer 6:14
Jer 8:11
Jer 23:17
2Pe 2:18

uNu 22:7
De 18:10
Jer 27:9
Eze 13:6
vDe 18:14
Jos 13:22

Isa 6:2
Isa 44:25
yEze 12:24

Mic 3:6
zEze 34:10
2Pe 2:9

*Eze 14:8
Eze 8:1
AIsa 29:13
Eze 20:1
oAc 7:41

eEze 3:20
Eze 7:19
Re 2:14
*Isa 28:6
Pr 21:27
Isa 1:15
Jer 11:11
Zec 7:13

what the Lord Jehovah has said:^a "Any man at all^a of the house of Israel that brings up his dungy idols^a upon his heart and that places the very stumbling block causing his error in front of his face and that actually comes to the prophet, I, Jehovah, I will let myself be brought to answer him in the matter according to the multitude of his dungy idols,^a ^{*} for the purpose of catching the house of Israel by their heart,^k because they have withdrawn themselves from me through their dungy idols, all of them."ⁿ

6 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said: "Come back and turn yourselves back from YOUR dungy idols^a and turn YOUR faces back even from all YOUR detestable things;^a ^{*} for any man at all^a from the house of Israel or from the temporary residents that reside for a while in Israel, that withdraws himself from following me^t and that brings up his dungy idols upon his heart^u and that sets the very stumbling block causing his error in front of his face and that actually comes to the prophet to make inquiry for himself by me,^v I, Jehovah, I am letting myself be brought to answer him by myself. ^{*} And I must set my face against that man^{cy} and place him for a sign^z and for proverbial sayings,^{*} and I must cut him off from the midst of my people;^o and YOU people will have to know that I am Jehovah."^{na}

9 "And as for the prophet, in case he gets fooled and actually speaks a word, I myself,

^a "Any man at all." M, *ish ish*. ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXX, *Ky'ri.os Ky'ri.os*; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. ^c "Man." M, *ha-ish*.

Jehovah, have fooled that prophet;^o and I will stretch out my hand against him and annihilate him from the midst of my people Israel.^{*} ¹⁰ And they will have to bear their error.^o The error of the inquirer will prove to be just the same as the error of the prophet,^{*} ¹¹ in order that those of the house of Israel may no more go wandering off from following meⁿ and may no more go defiling themselves with all their transgressions.^k And they must become my people and I myself shall become their God,^a is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."ⁿ

12 And the word of Jehovah continued to come to me, saying: ¹³ "Son of man, as regards a land, in case it commits sin against me in acting unfaithfully,^r I will also stretch out my hand against it and break for it the rods around which ring-shaped loaves are suspended,^{bs} and I will send upon it famine^t and cut off from it earthing man and domestic animal."^u ¹⁴ "And had these three men^c proved to be in the midst of it, Noah,^{ov} Daniel^y and Job,^z they themselves because of their righteousness^{*} would deliver their soul,^d is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."^o

15 "Or if I should make injurious wild beasts pass through the land^a and they actually bereaved it of children^o and it actually became a desolate waste without anybody passing through on account of the wild beasts,^{*} ¹⁶ were these three men^c in the midst of it,^o as I am alive,^{*} is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'neither sons nor daughters would they deliver; they, only they

^a "God." M, *Elo.him'*. ^b Literally, "the staff of bread." M. ^c "Men." M, *ha-a.nā.shim'*; the plural number of *ha-ish*. ^d "Soul." M, *neph'-esh*; Vg, *a'ni.mae*; Sy, *n'phesh*.

themselves, would be delivered and the land itself would become a desolate waste.' "k

17 "Or were it a sword that I should bring upon that land^a and should I actually say: "Let a sword itself pass through the land," and should I actually cut off from it earthling man^a and domestic animal,^r ¹⁸ even were these three men^b in the midst of it,^s as I am alive,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'they would deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they, only they themselves, would be delivered.' "

19 "Or were it pestilence that I should send^c upon that land^t and should I actually pour out my rage upon it with blood,^u in order to cut off from it earthling man^a and domestic animal,^v ²⁰ even were Noah,^v Daniel^v and Job^v in the midst of it,^s as I am alive,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'neither son nor daughter would they deliver; they themselves because of their righteousness would deliver their soul.' "d

21 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'So, too, [it will be] when there will be my four injurious acts of judgment^a—sword and famine and injurious wild beast and pestilence^b—that I shall actually send^c upon Jerusalem in order to cut off from it earthling man^a and domestic animal.^v ²² But, look! there will certainly be left remaining in it an escaped company, those being brought forth.^e Sons and daughters, here they are! They are going forth to you people, and you will have to see their way and their dealings.^f And you will certainly be comforted over the calamity that I shall

^a "Earthling man." M, *a-dam'*. ^b "Men." M, *ha-a-nā-shim'*; the plural number of *ha-ish*. ^c Or, "let go." ^d "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai'*; Vg, *a'ni-mae*.

kGe 19:29
Heb 11:7

nLe 26:25
Jer 25:9
Eze 5:12
Eze 21:3

rJer 33:12
Eze 25:13
Ho 4:3
Zep 1:3
sEze 14:14

tNu14:12
De 28:21
2Sa 24:15
1Ki 8:37
2Ch 6:28
2Ch 7:13
2Ch 20:9

Ps 91:3
Jer 14:12
Am 4:10
uEze 7:8
Eze 36:18
Re 16:3
vGe 7:1
Heb 11:7

yEze 28:3
zJob 1:5
*Eze 14:14
oPs 33:19
Isa 3:10
Eze 18:20
Ho 10:12
Zep 2:3

AJer 15:2
Eze 33:27
*Jer 32:43

@De 4:31
2Ch 36:20
Isa 6:13
Isa 10:20
Eze 6:8
Mic 5:7
Ro 11:5
*Jer 31:17
Eze 6:9
Eze 20:43

*Jer 3:25

have brought upon Jerusalem, even all that I shall have brought upon her.' "m

23 "And they will certainly comfort you people when you see their way and their dealings; and you will have to know that it was not without cause that I shall have done all that I must do against^a her,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."k

kGe 18:20
De 8:2
Ne 9:33
Jer 22:9
Eze 8:6
Eze 9:9
Da 9:7
Ro 2:5
nDe 32:32

Ps 80:8
Ca 2:15
Isa 5:1
Ho 10:1
Mt 21:33
Mr 12:1
Lu 20:9
Joh 15:1

rIsa 44:23
Mic 3:12
Zec 11:2
sJer 24:8
tPs 80:16
Isa 27:11
Joh 15:6
uIsa 1:31
Am 4:11
Heb 12:29

vMal 4:1
Mt 3:12

yIsa 5:24
Jer 4:7
Jer 7:20
Jer 21:7
Eze 20:47
zLe 17:10

Ps 34:16
Jer 21:10
Eze 14:8
*1Ki 19:17
Isa 24:18
Jer 48:44
Am 5:19
oPs 9:16
Eze 6:7
Eze 7:4

15 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, in what way does the vine tree happen to be different from every other tree,ⁿ the shoot, that has come to be among the trees of the forest?^r ³ Is there taken from it a pole with which to do some work? Or do people take from it a peg on which to hang any kind of utensil?^s ⁴ Look! Into the fire is where it must be put for fuel.^t Both ends of it the fire certainly devours, and the very middle of it does get scorched.^u Is it fit for any work? ⁵ Look! When it happens to be intact, it is not used for any work. How much less so, when fire itself has devoured it and it gets scorched, can it actually be used for any further work!"v

6 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Just like the vine tree among the trees of the forest, that I have given to the fire as fuel, so I have given the inhabitants of Jerusalem.^y ⁷ And I have set^b my face against them.^z Out of the fire they have gone forth, and the fire is what will devour them.^{*} And you people will have to know that I am Jehovah, when I direct my face against them.' "a

8 "And I will make the land a desolate

^a Or, "in." ^b Literally, "given," M.

waste,^a for the reason that they have acted unfaithfully,^b is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

16 And the word of Jehovah came further to me, saying: "Son of man, make known^c to Jerusalem her detestable things.^d And you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said to Jerusalem: "Your origin and your birth were from the land of the Ca'naan-ite.^e Your father was the Am'or-ite,^f and your mother was a Hit'tite.^g And as regards your birth, on the day of your being born^h your navel string had not been cut, and in water you had not been washed for cleansing, and with salt you had not at all been rubbed, and by no means had you been swaddled.ⁱ No eye took pity upon you to do for you one of these things in compassion upon you,^j but you were thrown upon the surface of the field because there was an abhorring of your soul^k in the day of your being born.^l"

6 "And I came passing along by you^m and got to see you kicking about in your blood, and I proceeded to say to you in your blood, 'Keep living!' yes, to say to you in your blood, 'Keep living!'"ⁿ A very big multitude^o like the sprouting of the field is what I made you so that you would grow big^p and become great and come in with the superlative ornament.^q The two breasts themselves were firmly developed,^r and your own hair grew luxuriantly, when you had been naked and nude."^s

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psyche*; Vg, *a'nima*. ^b Literally, "a myriad," or, "ten thousand," M. ^c Literally, "nakedness and nudity," M.

^d Isa 58:1
Jer 25:11
Eze 6:14
Zep 1:18
^e 2Ch 36:14

^f Isa 58:1
Eze 20:4
Eze 22:2
^g Eze 8:6
^h 2Sa 24:18
1Ch 1:14
1Ch 11:4
ⁱ Ge 10:16
^j Ge 15:16
De 20:17
1Ki 21:26
2Ki 21:11
Eze 16:45
^k Ge 10:15
Ge 23:20
Ge 27:46
Ge 49:32
2Sa 11:3
1Ho 11:1
nGe 15:13
De 5:6
Jos 24:2
Ne 9:8
Ho 2:3
rIsa 49:15

mIsa 51:2

sEx 2:24
Ex 3:7
Ac 7:34

uDe 9:4
Ps 105:12
Ps 147:20
Ro 9:15
vGe 22:17
Ex 1:7
Ex 12:37
De 1:10
Ac 7:17
yEx 3:22
De 4:8
Ne 9:22
Ps 135:4
zCa 4:5
^o Ho 2:9
Re 3:17

8 "And I came passing along by you and got to see you, and, look! your time was the time for love's expressions.^a So I proceeded to spread my skirt over you^b and to cover your nakedness and to make a sworn statement to you and enter into a covenant with you,^c is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'and so you became mine.'^d Furthermore, I washed you with water^e and rinsed away your blood from off you and greased you with oil.^f And I went on to clothe you with an embroidered garment^g and to shoe you with sealskin^h and to wrap you in fine linenⁱ and to cover you with costly material.^j And I went on to deck you with ornaments and to put bracelets^k upon your hands and a necklace^l about your throat.^m Furthermore, I put a nose ringⁿ in your nostril and earrings on your ears^o and a beautiful crown on your head.^p And you kept decking yourself with gold and silver, and your clothing was fine linen and costly material and an embroidered garment.^q Fine flour and honey and oil were what you ate, and you grew to be very, very fair and gradually you became fit for royal position."^r

14 "And for you a name began to go forth among the nations because of your fairness, for it was perfect because of my splendor that I placed upon you," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

15 "But you began to trust in your fairness^a and become a prostitute on account of your name^b and to pour out your acts of prostitution on every passer-by; his it came to be.^c And you proceeded to take some of your garments

De 7:8

Ru 3:9
Isa 12:22
Isa 41:9

Ex 19:5
De 4:31

De 26:18
De 32:9
Ps 51:7
Isa 4:4
Eze 36:25
Ps 23:5
*Ex 28:6
Isa 62:3
kEx 25:5
nEx 39:27

rGe 41:42

sGe 24:12
Isa 3:19

tGe 24:47
Isa 3:21
uEx 35:22
vEx 28:36

yPs 48:2
Ps 50:2

zDe 32:13
2Sa 5:3
2Sa 7:9
1Ki 4:21
Ezr 4:20
*De 4:6
2Sa 7:23
1Ki 10:1
La 2:15
De 32:15
Jer 7:4
Mic 3:11
Zep 3:11
*Nu 25:1
Jg 3:6
1Ki 11:5
Ps 106:35
Isa 1:21
Isa 57:8
Jer 2:20
Ho 1:2
Jas 4:4

and make for yourself high places of varied colors and you would prostitute yourself on them^a—such things are not coming in, and it should not happen.^{a 17} And you would take your beautiful articles from my gold and from my silver that I had given to you⁺ and you would make for yourself images of a male^m and prostitute yourself^b with them.^{c 18} And you would take your embroidered clothing and cover them, and my oil and my incense you would actually put before them.¹⁹ And my bread that I had given to you—fine flour and oil and honey that I had had you eat^x—you also actually put it before them as a restful^c odor,⁺ and it continued to occur,^k is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.”

20 “And you would take your sons and your daughters whom you had borne to me,ⁿ and you would sacrifice these to them to be devoured^r—is that not enough of your acts of prostitution?^{s 21} And you would slaughter my sons,^{dt} and by making them pass through [the fire] you would give these to them.^{u 22} And in all your detestable things and your acts of prostitution you did not remember the days of your youth when you happened to be naked and nude; kicking about in your blood you happened to be.^{v 23} And it proceeded to occur after all your badness (“woe, woe to you,”^v is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah) ²⁴ that you went

^a This Hebrew expression at the end of verse 16 is very uncertain in meaning. Vg reads: “just as it has not happened, neither is about to be.” LXX: “And you will by no means go in, nor will it by any means happen.” ^b Or, “commit unfaithful intercourse.” ^c Or, “soothing; tranquilizing.” ^d “My sons,” M^vgSy; “your sons,” LXX and eight Hebrew manuscripts.

^d2Kl 23:7
Eze 7:20

⁺Ex 32:2
Jer 10:4
Eze 23:17
Ho 10:1
mIsa 57:8
Eze 16:26
Eze 23:20
^eJer 3:9

^xDe 32:13
Ho 2:8
⁺Ge 8:21
Le 1:9
Le 26:31
kEze 6:13
Eze 20:28

nEx 13:2
De 29:11

r2Kl 16:3
2Ch 33:6
Isa 57:5
Jer 7:31
Jer 32:35
Eze 20:26
sEze 8:17
tPs 106:37
Jer 2:34
uLe 18:21
Le 20:2
De 18:10
2Kl 17:17
2Kl 21:6
2Kl 23:10
vJer 2:2
Ho 2:3
Ho 11:1
yJer 13:27
Eze 2:10
Zep 3:1
Mt 23:13

22Kl 21:7
2Kl 23:7
⁺Le 26:30
Ps 78:58
Isa 57:5
Jer 2:20
⁺Pr 9:14
⁺Jer 6:15
⁺Jer 2:24
Eze 23:9
⁺Eze 23:30
⁺De 29:17
Jos 24:14
Isa 30:3
Eze 20:7
⁺Isa 57:8
Eze 16:17
Eze 23:20
⁺Isa 5:25
kDe 28:48
nIsa 56:11
rPs 106:41
s2Ch 28:18
tEze 5:6
2Pe 2:7

u2Kl 16:7
Jer 2:18
Eze 23:5

vJg 2:12
2Kl 21:9
yEze 23:14

zJg 16:15
Jer 3:3
⁺Pr 7:11
Pr 30:20

building for yourself a mound^{az} and making for yourself a height in every public square.^a ²⁵ At every head of the way you built your height^a and you began to make your fairness something detestable^a and sprawl out your feet to every passer-by^b and multiply your acts of prostitution.⁺ ²⁶ And you went prostituting yourself to the sons of Egypt,^c your neighbors great of flesh,^b and you continued making your prostitution abound in order to offend me. ²⁷ And, look! I shall certainly stretch out my hand against you⁺ and I shall diminish your allowance^k and give you to the soul[ful desire]^{cn} of the women hating you,^r the daughters of the Philis'tines,^s the women humiliated on account of your way as regards loose conduct.^t

28 “And you went on to prostitute yourself to the sons of As-syri'a because there was no satisfying of you,^u and you kept prostituting yourself with them and also did not get satisfaction. ²⁹ So you kept making your prostitution abound toward the land of Canaan,^v toward the Chal-de'ans;^v and even in this you did not get satisfaction. ³⁰ O how I am filled up with rage against you,^d is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, ‘by your doing all these things, the work of a woman,^z a domineering prostitute!’ ³¹ When you built your mound^a at the head of every way and you made your own height in every public square, yet you became unlike a prostitute in disdaining hire. ³² In the case of

^a Or, “a torus,” on the foot of an altar; evidently for immoral purposes. ^b Or, “the genital organ.” Compare Leviticus 15:2, 3. ^c Literally, “the soul.” M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chai'*; Vg, *a'ni.mae*. ^d Or, possibly, “O how weak your heart is!”

the wife that commits adultery,^a she takes strangers instead of her own husband.^a ³³ To all prostitutes they are accustomed to give a present,^a but you—you have given your presents to all those passionately loving you,^a and you offer a bribe to them to come in to you from all around in your acts of prostitution. ³⁴ And in your case the opposite thing takes place from that of other women in your acts of prostitution, and after your style no prostitution has been committed, even in your giving hire when no hire has been given to you, and so it occurs in the opposite way.^a

³⁵ "Therefore, O prostitute,^a hear the word of Jehovah.^a ³⁶ This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that your lustfulness^a has been poured out^a and your private parts^m are uncovered in your acts of prostitution toward those passionately loving you^k and toward all your detestable dungy idols,ⁿ even with the blood of your sons whom you gave to them,^r ³⁷ therefore here I am collecting together all those passionately loving you toward whom you were pleasurable and all those whom you loved along with all those whom you hated, and I will collect them together against you from all around and uncover your private parts to them, and they must see all your private parts.'^a

³⁸ "And I will judge you with the judgments of adulteresses^t and women shedding blood^u and I will give you the blood of rage and jealousy.^v ³⁹ And I will give you into their hand, and they will certainly tear down your mound^v and your heights will certainly be

^a Or, possibly, "menstruation."

ⓈEze 23:37

ⓂJer 2:25
Jer 3:1
Jer 3:20
Eze 23:37
Ho 2:2
Ho 3:1
2Co 11:3
ⓂGe 38:16
De 23:18
Ho 2:12
Lu 15:30
ⓂIsa 57:9
Eze 23:5
Ho 2:5

ⓂIsa 1:21
Isa 23:16
Jer 3:1
Jer 3:6
Ho 2:5
Na 3:4
ⓂEze 13:2

ⓂLa 1:9
Eze 22:15
Eze 23:8
Eze 24:13
Eze 36:25
ⓂEx 20:26
De 25:11
Isa 20:30
Eze 16:37
ⓂJer 13:22
Eze 23:10
Ho 2:5
nLe 26:30
1Ki 15:12
2Ki 17:12
2Ki 21:11
rPs 106:38
Jer 2:34
ⓂIsa 47:2
Jer 4:30
Jer 13:22
Jer 22:20
La 1:8
Ho 2:10
Na 3:5
Re 17:16
tGe 38:24
Le 20:10
uGe 9:8
Ex 21:12
Le 24:17
Nu 35:31
Ps 79:3
Mt 26:52
vNa 1:2
Zep 1:17
Re 16:6
yEze 16:24

zIsa 27:9
Eze 16:31
ⓂIsa 3:18
Eze 23:26
Ho 2:3
ⓂIsa 3:20
ⓂEze 23:46
Hab 1:6
ⓂDe 22:21
ⓂJer 25:9
Ⓜ2Ki 15:29
Jer 39:8
ⓂEze 5:8

ⓂEze 23:27

kEze 5:13

rJer 2:32
sPs 95:10
Ac 7:51

tEze 9:10

uEze 7:9

2Pe 2:7

vIsa 24:13

Eze 18:2

y1Ki 21:26

2Ki 17:15

2Ki 21:9

Ezr 9:1

Ps 106:35

zEze 16:3

ⓂDe 12:31

Isa 1:4

Isa 54:5

Ho 2:2

ⓂGe 10:15

Ge 23:20

Ge 27:46

Ge 49:32

2Sa 11:3

ⓂGe 15:16

De 20:17

1Ki 21:26

2Ki 21:11

ⓂJer 3:8

ⓂGe 13:12

Ge 18:20

Ge 19:24

De 29:23

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pulled down,^a and they must strip you of your clothes^a and take your beautiful articles^a and leave you behind naked and nude. ⁴⁰ And they must bring up against you a congregation^a and pelt you with stones^a and slaughter you with their swords.^a ⁴¹ And they must burn your houses with fire^a and execute in you acts of judgment before the eyes of many women;^a and I will cause you to cease from [being] a prostitute,^a and also no more hire will you give. ⁴² And I will bring my rage to its rest in you,^k and my jealousy must turn away from you; and I will stay quiet and I shall no more feel offended.^a

⁴³ "For the reason that you did not remember the days of your youth^r and you would cause me agitation because of all these things,^a even here I also, for my part, will put your own way upon [your] very head,^t is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'and you will certainly not carry on any loose conduct alongside all your detestable things.'^u

⁴⁴ "Look! Everyone using a proverb^v against you will use the proverb, saying: 'Like mother is her daughter!'^y ⁴⁵ You are the daughter of your mother,^a one abhorring her husband^a and her sons. And you are the sister of your sisters, who abhorred their husbands and their sons. The mother of you women was a Hit'tite,^a and your father was an Am'orite.'^a

⁴⁶ "And your older sister is Sa-mar'i-a herself with her dependent towns,^a who is dwelling on your left, and your sister younger than you, who is dwelling on your right, is Sod'om^a

^a "Dependent towns." Literally, "daughters," M.

with her dependent towns.^a 47 And it was not in their ways that you walked, nor according to their detestable things that you did.^x In a very little while you even began to act more ruinously than they did in all your ways.^b 48 As I am alive,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'Sod'om your sister, she with her dependent towns,^a has not done according to what you did, you and your dependent towns.^{ak} 49 Look! This is what proved to be the error of Sod'om your sister: pride,ⁿ sufficiency of bread^r and the carefreeness of keeping undisturbed were what happened to belong to her and her dependent towns,^s and the hand of the afflicted one^t and the poor one she did not strengthen.^u 50 And they^b continued to be haughty and to carry on a detestable thing before me,^v and I proceeded to remove them, just as I saw [fit].^{cy}

51 "And as for Samar'ia,^z she has not sinned even up to half of your sins,^{*} but you kept making your detestable things abound more than they did, so that you made your sisters appear righteous because of all your detestable things that you carried on.^o 52 You also, bear your humiliation when you must argue in favor of your sisters.^a Because of your sins in which you acted more detestably than they did, they are more righteous than you.^d And you also, be ashamed and bear your humiliation in that you make your sisters appear righteous.'

53 "And I will gather their captive ones,^{*}

@Ge 14:8
Ge 19:29

*1Kl 16:31

*2Kl 21:9
Eze 5:8

kMt 10:15
Mr 6:11
Lu 10:12

nGe 19:9
rGe 13:10

sGe 18:20

tPr 21:13
uEze 18:12

vGe 13:13
Ge 19:5
yGe 19:24
Isa 13:19

Jer 49:18
La 4:6

Am 4:11
Zep 2:9
2Pe 2:6

2Kl 15:8
Isa 7:9
Joh 4:7

*Ro 3:9
Jer 3:8
Mt 12:41

*Jer 23:40
Jer 31:19

@Ge 38:26
Isa 24:17
1Kl 2:32

*Job 42:10
Ps 14:7
Ps 126:1

Isa 1:9

the captive ones of Sod'om and of her dependent towns,^a and the captive ones of Samar'ia and of her dependent towns;^a I will also gather^b your captive ones in the midst of them,^c 54 in order that you may bear your humiliation;^x and you must feel humiliated owing to all that you have done, in that you comforted them.^y 55 And your own sisters, Sod'om and her dependent towns,^a will return to their former state, and Samar'ia and her dependent towns^a will return to their former state, and you yourself and your own dependent towns^a will return to YOUR former state.^k 56 And Sod'om your sister did not prove to be anything worth hearing about from your mouth in the day of your pride,ⁿ 57 before your own badness got to be exposed,^r just as at the time of the reproach of the daughters of Syria^{cs} and of all round about her, the daughters of the Philis'tines,^t those treating you with scorn on all sides.^u 58 Your loose conduct^v and your detestable things, you yourself must bear them,^y is the utterance of Jehovah."

59 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'I also must do with you just as you have done, because you despised the oath in breaking [my] covenant.^{dz} 60 And I, I myself, must remember my covenant with you in the days of your youth,^{*} and I must establish for you an indefinitely lasting covenant.^o 61 And you will certainly remember your ways^a and feel humiliated when you receive your sisters, the ones older than you as well as the ones younger than

@Isa 19:24

*Jer 2:26
Eze 36:31

*Eze 14:22

kEze 36:11
Mal 3:4
nIsa 65:5
Zep 3:11
Lu 18:11
rPs 50:21
La 4:22

Eze 21:24
Ho 2:10
1Co 4:5
s2Kl 16:5
2Ch 28:5
Isa 7:1

2Ch 28:18
Isa 14:29
uJer 33:24
vJg 20:6

Ps 26:10
Pr 10:23
Ga 5:19
1Pe 4:3

2Pe 2:7
yLa 6:7

Eze 23:49
zDe 29:12
2Ch 34:31
Jer 22:9

*Le 26:42
Ne 1:5
Ps 106:45

Lu 1:72
Isa 24:5
Isa 55:3

Jer 31:31
Jer 32:40
Jer 50:5

Heb 13:20
*Ps 119:59
Eze 20:43

^a See verse 46, footnote a. ^b "I will also gather," LXXVgSyT.

^c "Syria," MLXXVgT; "E'dom," Sy and many Hebrew manuscripts and printed editions. ^d "[My] covenant," LXXSy.

^a See verse 46, footnote a. ^b "They"; in the feminine gender, to refer to Sod'om and her daughter towns. ^c "I saw [fit]," MLXX; "you have seen," Vg.

you,⁹ and I shall certainly give them to you as daughters,⁹ but not owing to your covenant.⁹

62 "And I, I myself, will establish my covenant with you;⁹ and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.⁹ ⁶³ in order that you may remember and actually be ashamed^k and you may no more come to have any reason to open [your] mouthⁿ because of your humiliation, when I make an atonement^r for you for all that you have done,⁹ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

17 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, pro- pound a riddle^s and compose a proverbial saying toward the house of Israel.^t ³ And you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: 'The great eagle,^u having great wings,^v with long pinions, full of plumage, which had color variety, came to Leb'a-non^m and proceeded to take the treetop of the cedar.^y ⁴ He plucked off the very top of its young shoots and came bringing it to the land of Ca'naan; in a city of traders he placed it.^z ⁵ Furthermore, he took some of the seed of the land⁹ and put it in a field for seed. As a willow by vast waters,^a as a willow tree he placed it.⁹ ⁶ And it began to sprout and gradually became a luxuriantly growing vine low in height,⁹ inclined to turn its foliage inward,⁹ and as for its roots, they gradually came to be under it. And it finally became a vine and produced shoots and sent forth branches."

7 "And there came to be another great eagle,⁹ having great wings, and having large pinions,^k and, look! this very vine stretched its roots hungrily toward him.ⁿ And its foliage it

Ro 11:11
Ro 15:9
Ga 4:22
Isa 54:1
Ga 4:26
Jer 31:31
Heb 8:13
Ho 2:19
Joe 3:17
kEzr 9:6
Eze 36:31

nPs 39:9
Ro 3:19
rLe 16:33
Nu 8:19

sJg 14:12

tEze 20:49
Ho 12:10
Mt 13:13

uDe 28:49
Jer 4:13
Jer 48:40
Jer 49:22

La 4:19
Ho 8:1
vDa 7:4

mJer 22:23
y2Ki 24:12
2Ch 36:10
Jer 24:1

z2Ki 24:15

*2Ki 24:17
Jer 37:1
Eze 17:13
aEze 19:10
Isa 44:4

*Eze 17:14
ePr 16:18

*2Ki 24:19
2Ch 36:11

*Jer 37:5
Eze 17:15
kJer 37:7

nIsa 36:6

thrust out to him in order [for him] to irrigate it, away from the garden beds where it was planted.^r ⁸ Into a good field, by vast waters, it was already embedded,^s in order to produce boughs and to bear fruit, to become a majestic vine."¹⁰

9 "Say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Will it have success?^t Will not someone tear out its very roots^u and make its very fruit scaly? And must [not] all its freshly plucked sprouts become dry?^v It will become dry. Neither by a great arm nor by a multitudinous people will it have to be lifted up from its roots.^y ¹⁰ And, look! as something embedded, will it have success? Will it not dry up completely, even as when the east wind^a touches it?^z In the garden beds of its sprout it will dry up."¹¹

11 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹² "Say, please, to the rebellious house,⁹ 'Do you people actually not know what these things mean?¹³ Say, 'Look! The king of Babylon^b came to Jerusalem and proceeded to take its king^c and its princes and bring them to himself at Babylon.^b ¹³ Furthermore, he took one of the royal seed^d and concluded^e a covenant with him and brought him into an oath,⁹ and the foremost men of the land he took away,⁹ ¹⁴ in order that the kingdom might become low,^k unable to lift itself up, that by keeping his covenant it^d might stand.ⁿ ¹⁵ But

r2Ki 24:20
2Ch 36:13
sJer 37:1

oJoe 1:7

tNu 14:41
2Ch 13:12
Jer 32:5
Eze 17:15
u2Ki 25:7
Jer 21:7
Jer 24:8
Jer 52:9
v2Ki 25:7
Jer 52:10
yJer 37:10

zHo 13:15

*Eze 19:12
Jude 12

oIsa 1:2
Eze 2:5
Eze 3:9
Eze 12:9

*De 6:20
Eze 24:19
2Ki 24:12
2Ch 36:10

Jer 22:25
Isa 39:7
Jer 52:32

*2Ki 24:17
Jer 37:1
2Ch 36:13
Jer 5:2

*2Ki 24:15
Jer 24:1
Jer 29:2

kDe 28:43
Isa 2:7
Eze 17:6
nJer 27:12
Jer 38:17

^a "Wind." M, ru'ahh; LXX, a'ne-mos; Vg, ven'tus. Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c Literally, "cut." M, ka-rath'. ^d "It," M; in the feminine gender, singular number, because of referring to the "kingdom." But "him," Mmargin; in the masculine gender, singular number, to refer to the king.

he finally rebelled^r against him in sending his messengers to Egypt, [for it] to give him horses^s and a multitudinous people. Will he have success?^t Will he escape, he who is doing these things, and who has broken a covenant? And will he be actually escape?^u

16 ““As I am alive,” is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, “in the place of the king who put in as king the one that despised his oath and that broke his covenant, with him in the midst of Babylon^a he will die.^v”¹⁷ And by a great military force and by a multitudinous congregation Phar’ao^h will not make him effective in the war,^y by throwing up a siege rampart and by building a siege wall, in order to cut off many souls.^{bz} ¹⁸ And he has despised an oath in breaking a covenant, and, look! he had given his hand^{*} and has done even all these things. He will not make his escape.”¹⁹

19 “Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: “As I am alive, surely my oath that he has despised^a and my covenant that he has broken—I will even bring it upon his head.²⁰ And I will spread over him my net, and he will certainly be caught in my hunting net;^o and I will bring him to Babylon^a and put myself on judgment with him there respecting his unfaithfulness with which he acted against me.”²¹ And as regards all the fugitives of his in all his bands,^e by the sword they will fall, and the ones left remaining will be spread abroad even to every wind.^{e*} And you people will have to know

^a See verse 12, footnote b. ^b “Souls.” M, *n^epha-shōth*; LXX, *psy.chai*; Vg, *aⁿi.mae*. ^c “Wind,” representing direction. M, *ru’ahh*; LXX, *aⁿe.mos*; Vg, *ven’tus*. Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote d.

r2Ki 24:20
2Ch 36:13
Jer 52:3
Eze 17:7
sDe 17:16
Isa 30:2
Isa 31:1
Jer 37:5
tEze 17:9
uPr 19:5
Jer 32:4

vJer 32:5
Jer 34:3
Jer 52:11

yIsa 36:6
Jer 37:7
La 4:17
Eze 29:6
zJer 33:5
Jer 52:4
Eze 4:2

*La 5:6
oEze 17:15

aDe 5:11
Jer 5:2
Jer 7:9
Eze 21:23

o2Ch 33:11
Ec 9:12
Jer 39:5
La 1:13
Eze 12:13
Ho 7:12
Lu 21:35
Jer 2:35
Eze 20:36
Mic 6:2
e2Ki 25:5
Jer 48:44
Jer 52:8
*Eze 12:14

#Eze 6:13

kPs 80:15
Isa 11:1
Jer 23:5
Zec 3:8
nIsa 53:2
rPs 2:6
Eze 20:40
Eze 40:2
Da 2:35
sPs 92:13
Mic 4:1
tIsa 27:6
Joh 15:8
uPs 92:12
vGe 49:10
Ps 72:8
Isa 11:6
Ho 14:7
Re 11:15
yPs 96:12
Isa 55:12
zIsa 2:7
Ps 75:7
Isa 2:13
Lu 1:52
*Isa 9:6
Eze 21:27
Da 4:17
Am 9:11
Lu 1:33

oIsa 3:15
Eze 17:12
Ro 9:20

aJer 15:4
Jer 31:29
La 5:7
Mt 23:36
oEze 33:11

*Ro 3:19
eEx 4:22
Jer 10:16
*Ge 2:7
*De 28:18
kRo 3:23
Ga 3:22
nGe 2:17
Ro 6:23
Heb 10:26

that I myself, Jehovah, have spoken [it].”²²

22 “This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: “I myself will also take and put some of the lofty treetop of the cedar;^k from the top of its twigs I shall pluck off a tender oneⁿ and I will myself transplant [it] upon a high and lofty mountain.^r ²³ On the mountain of the height of Israel I shall transplant it,^s and it will certainly bear boughs and produce fruit^t and become a majestic cedar.^u And under it there will actually reside all the birds of every wing; in the shadow of its foliage they will reside.^v ²⁴ And all the trees of the field will have to know that I myself, Jehovah,^y have abased the high tree,^z have put on high the low tree,^{*} have dried up the still-moist tree and have made the dry tree blossom. I myself, Jehovah, have spoken and done [it].”²⁵

18 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² “What does it mean to YOU people that YOU are expressing this proverbial saying on the soil of Israel,^o saying, ‘Fathers are the ones that eat unripe grapes, but it is the teeth of the sons that get set on edge’?^a

3 “‘As I am alive,’^o is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, ‘it will no more continue to be YOURS to express this proverbial saying in Israel.’ ⁴ Look! All the souls^b—to me they belong.^e As the soul^{*} of the father so likewise the soul of the son—to me they belong.^e The soul that is sinning^k—it itself will die.^{on}

^a Literally, “get blunted (dulled).” M, *b* “Souls.” M, *n^epha-shōth*; LXX, *psy.chai*; Vg, *aⁿi.mae*. ^c Or, “The soul that is sinning is the one that will die.”

5 "And as regards a man,^a in case he happens to be righteous and he has executed justice and righteousness;^r ⁶ on the mountains he did not eat^s and his eyes he did not raise to the dungy idols of the house of Israel,^t and his companion's wife he did not defile^u and to a woman in her impurity he would not go near;^v ⁷ and no man^a would he maltreat;^y the pledge that he took for indebtedness, he would return;^z nothing would he wrest away in robbery;^{*} to the hungry one he would give his own bread[□] and the naked one he would cover with a garment;[△] ⁸ nothing would he give on interest[°] and no usury would he take;^{*} from injustice he would draw back his hand;[°] true justice he would execute between man^a and man;^a ⁹ in my statutes he kept walking[#] and my judicial decisions he kept in order to execute truth,^k he is righteous.ⁿ He will positively keep living;^r is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

10 "And [if] one has become father to a son who is a robber,^s a shedder of blood,^t who has done the like of one of these things^b ¹¹ (but he himself has done none of these very things);^m in case he has eaten also upon the mountains,^u and his companion's wife he has defiled;^v ¹² the afflicted and poor one he has maltreated;^y things he has wrested away in robbery,^z a pledged thing he would not return;^{*} and to the dungy idols he lifted up his eyes,[□] a detestable thing is what he has done.[△] ¹³ On usury he has given,[°] and interest he has taken,^{*} and he positively will not keep living. All these

^a "Man." M, *ish*. ^b Literally, "done the brother of one of these things," M; "done (any) one of these things," VgSy; "done to his brother one of these things," T.

rPs 15:2
Ps 24:4
Jas 1:25
sNu 25:2
Eze 22:9
tLe 26:30
2K1 17:12
uLe 20:10
vLe 18:19
Le 20:18
yLe 25:14
zDe 24:12

*Le 6:2
□De 15:11

△Isa 58:7
Jas 2:15
°Ex 22:25
De 23:19
*Le 25:36
°Le 19:35
De 25:16
*Le 19:15
*Ex 13:10
Le 19:19
De 8:11
kDe 4:1
De 5:1
nPs 24:5
rLe 18:5
Ne 9:29
Eze 20:11
Ro 10:5
Ga 3:12
sLe 19:13
Joh 18:40
tEx 21:12
Nu 35:31
mPr 17:21
uEx 34:15
iCo 10:20
vLe 20:10
yHo 12:7

*Le 6:2
*De 24:12
□Le 26:30
De 29:17
△2K1 21:11

°Le 25:36
*De 23:19

Le 18:30

*Le 20:9
Le 20:27
Eze 3:18
Ac 18:6

*Jer 8:6

kEze 22:9

nLe 25:30
De 29:17
rLe 20:10

sLe 25:14
tDe 24:12
uLe 6:2

vDe 15:11

yIsa 58:7
Jas 2:15

zDe 25:16
*Le 25:36
°Ex 22:25
De 23:19

*De 4:1
De 5:1
°Ex 13:10
Le 19:19
De 8:11

*Eze 3:21
°Eze 18:9
*Le 19:13
De 24:14
*Le 6:2

kIsa 3:11

nEze 3:18

rEx 20:5
2K1 23:26
Jer 15:4

sEze 20:18

tEze 18:9

detestable things he has done.[°] He will positively be put to death. On him his own blood will come to be.^{*}

14 "And, look! one has become father to a son, who keeps seeing all the sins of his father that he has done, and he sees^a and does not do things like them.[#] ¹⁵ On the mountains he has not eaten,^k and his eyes he has not lifted up to the dungy idols of the house of Israel;ⁿ his companion's wife he has not defiled;^r ¹⁶ and no man^b has he maltreated,^s no pledge has he seized,^t and nothing has he taken in robbery;^u to the hungry one he has given his own bread,^v and the naked one he has covered with a garment;^y ¹⁷ from the afflicted one^c he has drawn back his hand;^z no usury^{*} and interest[°] has he taken; my judicial decisions he has carried out;[△] in my statutes he has walked;[°] he himself will not die because of the error of his father.^{*} He will positively keep living.[°] ¹⁸ As for his father, because he committed outright defrauding,^{*} wrested something away in robbery of a brother,[#] and whatever is not good he has done in the midst of his peoples,^k why, then he must die for his error.ⁿ

19 "And you people will certainly say: "Why is it that the son does not have to bear anything because of the error of the father?"^r Now as regards the son, justice and righteousness he has executed, all the statutes of mine he has kept and he keeps doing them.[#] He will positively keep living.^t ²⁰ The soul^d that is sinning—

^a "Sees," MT; "fears," LXXVg. ^b "Man." M, *ish*. ^c "The afflicted one," M; "injustice," LXX. ^d "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*.

it itself will die.^a A son himself will bear nothing because of the error of the father, and a father himself will bear nothing because of the error of the son.^v Upon his own self the very righteousness of the righteous one will come to be,^v and upon his own self the very wickedness of a wicked one will come to be.^z

21 "Now as regards someone wicked, in case he should turn back from all his sins that he has committed^a and he should actually keep all my statutes and execute justice and righteousness,^o he will positively keep living. He will not die.⁴ ²² All his transgressions that he has committed—they will not be remembered against him.⁶ For his righteousness that he has done he will keep living."

23 "Do I take any delight at all in the death of someone wicked,⁸ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, '[and] not in that he should turn back from his ways and actually keep living?'"

24 "Now when someone righteous turns back from his righteousness and actually does injustice;⁸ according to all the detestable things that the wicked one has done he keeps doing^k and he is living, none of all his righteous acts that he has done will be remembered.ⁿ For his unfaithfulness that he has committed and for his sin with which he has sinned, for them he will die.^r

25 "And you people will certainly say: "The way of Jehovah^b is not adjusted right."^s HEAR,

^a Or, "The soul that is sinning is the one that will die." ^b "Jehovah," seven Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* ("the Lord") instead of *Y^ho.wah'*.

uDe 24:16
2Kl 14:6
Jer 31:30

v2Ch 25:4

y1Kl 8:32
Isa 3:10
Ro 2:6
z2Ch 6:23
Eze 33:10
Ro 2:9

*2Ch 33:12
Isa 55:7
Eze 33:12
Ac 3:19
□Ge 26:5
Eze 36:27
Lu 1:6
Jas 2:23
ΔEze 3:21

□1Kl 17:18
Ps 25:7
Isa 43:25
Jer 50:20
Eze 33:16
z2Ch 6:23

□La 3:33
Eze 33:11
2Pe 3:9

*Ps 147:11
Mic 7:18

*1Sa 15:11
1Kl 11:4
Eze 33:12
kRo 1:28

nHeb 10:38
2Jo 8
rPr 14:32
Pr 21:16
sJob 34:5
Job 35:2
Job 40:8
Mal 2:17
Mal 3:14
Ro 3:5
Ro 9:20

tGe 18:25
De 32:4
Ps 145:17
Jer 12:1
uPs 50:21
Jer 2:17

vLe 19:35
De 25:16
yEze 3:19

zIsa 1:18
Isa 55:7
Mt 9:13
Ac 3:19
Ac 20:21
Ac 26:20

*Eze 33:5
Ac 2:40
1Ti 4:16
□De 32:29
Jer 31:18
Lu 15:17

Δ1Sa 7:3
Eze 33:12
□Eze 18:9
*Pr 19:3
□Ge 18:25
De 32:4
Ps 145:17
Jer 12:1
*Ps 50:21
Jer 2:17
Eze 18:25

*Eze 12:14
Eze 7:3
1Pe 1:17
kDa 9:13
Ho 12:6
Joe 2:12
Mt 3:2
nLu 13:3
Ro 2:5
rPs 34:14
Isa 1:16
sPs 51:10
Jer 32:39
tEze 11:19
uDe 30:15
Pr 8:36
Ac 13:46

please, O house of Israel. Is not my own way adjusted right?ⁱ Are not the ways of YOU people not adjusted right?^u

26 "When someone righteous turns back from his righteousness and he actually does injustice^v and dies on account of them, for his injustice that he has done he will die.^y

27 "And when someone wicked turns back from his wickedness that he has committed and proceeds to execute justice and righteousness,^z he is the one that will preserve his own soul^a alive.²⁸ When he sees^b and he turns back from all his transgressions that he has done,^a he will positively keep living. He will not die.⁹

29 "And the house of Israel will certainly say: "The way of Jehovah^c is not adjusted right." As for my ways, are they not adjusted right, O house of Israel?⁸ Are not the ways of you people the ones that are not adjusted right?"^x

30 "Therefore each one according to his ways is how I shall judge you, O house of Israel,^y is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.⁸ Turn back, yes, cause a turning back from all YOUR transgressions,^k and let nothing prove to be for you people a stumbling block causing error.ⁿ

³¹ Throw off from yourselves all your transgressions in which YOU have transgressed^r and make for yourselves a new heart^s and a new spirit,^{at} for why should you die,^u O house of Israel?"

32 "For I do not take any delight in the

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^b "Sees," MVgSyT; omitted by LXX. ^c "Jehovah," four Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y^ho.wah'*. ^d "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*.

death of someone dying,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^v 'So cause a turning back and keep living,^v O you people.'

19 "And as for you, raise a dirge^a concerning the chieftains of Israel,^a and you must say, 'What was your mother? A lioness among lions.^a She lay down in among maned young lions. She reared her cubs.^a

3 "And gradually she brought up one of her cubs.^a A maned young lion is what he became, and he began to learn how to tear apart prey. He devoured even earthling man.^b And nations kept hearing about him. In their pit he was caught, and they proceeded to bring him by means of hooks^c to the land of Egypt."

5 "When she got to see that she had waited [and] her hope had perished, then she took another of her cubs.^a As a maned young lion she put him forth.^a And he began to walk about in the midst of lions.^a A maned young lion is what he became. And he gradually learned how to tear apart prey.^a He devoured even earthling man.^b And he got to know his dwelling towers,^d and he devastated even their cities,^m so that the land was laid desolate and he filled it with the sound of his roaring.^k And nations all around from the jurisdictional districts began to set^e against himⁿ and got to spread over him their net.^r In their pit he was caught.^a Finally they put him in the cage by means of

vLa 3:33
2Pe 3:9
yEze 18:9

z2Sa 1:17
Jer 9:10
Eze 2:10
Eze 26:17
*1Kl 11:34
1Ch 7:40
2Ch 35:25
Eze 21:25
oNa 2:11
Zep 3:3
*Job 4:11
Ps 58:6
Isa 5:29
Zec 11:3
*2Kl 23:31
2Ch 36:1

*2Kl 23:33
2Ch 36:4
Jer 22:11

*2Kl 23:34

*2Ch 36:5
Jer 22:17
*2Kl 24:4
mEze 12:19
Am 6:8

kPr 19:12
Pr 28:15
Eze 22:25

n2Kl 24:2

rEze 12:13
Eze 17:20
sLa 4:20

t2Ch 36:6
Jer 22:18
Jer 36:30

uEze 6:2
Eze 36:1
vHo 2:2

yPs 80:8
Isa 5:1
Eze 15:2
Mt 21:33
zNu 24:6
De 8:7
Ps 89:25
*Ge 49:10
Nu 24:17
Ezr 4:20

oEze 31:3
Da 4:11
*Ps 52:5
Ps 89:10
Isa 5:5
Jer 31:28
Eze 15:6

*Ho 13:15
*2Kl 23:34
2Kl 24:6
2Kl 25:6

*De 32:22
Isa 27:11
Eze 15:4
*De 28:48
Jer 52:27

*Ps 63:1
kJg 9:15
2Kl 24:20
Jer 52:3

nNe 9:37
Eze 21:26
rEze 19:1

sEze 8:1

hooks^a and brought him to the king of Babylon.^{bt} They got to bring him by means of hunting nets, in order that his voice might no more be heard on the mountains of Israel.^u

10 "Your mother^v was like a vine in your blood,^{cy} planted by waters. A bearer of fruit and full of branches she became because of abundant water.^z And they came to be for her strong rods, meant for the scepters of rulers.^a And its height gradually became tall up among branches, and it got to be visible because of its tallness, because of the abundance of its foliage.^q But she was finally uprooted in fury.^a To the earth she was thrown, and there was an east wind^d that dried up her fruit.^o Her strong rod was torn off and became dry.^a Fire itself devoured it.^o And now she is planted in the wilderness,^a in a waterless and thirsty land.^a And fire proceeded to come forth from [her] rod.^k It devoured her very shoots, her very fruit, and there proved to be in her no strong rod, no scepter for ruling.ⁿ

"That is a dirge, and it will become a dirge."^r

20 Now it came about in the seventh year, in the fifth [month], on the tenth [day] of the month, men^o from the elderly ones of Israel came in to inquire of Jehovah,^a and they proceeded to sit down before me.² And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying:

^a Or, "thorns," put through the cheek or nose of animals as well as captives in order to lead them on a rope. ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c "In your blood," MVgSy; "of your vineyard," two Hebrew manuscripts; "she used to resemble," T. ^d "Wind," M, ru'ahh; LXX, a'ne-mos; Vg, ven'tus. ^e "Men," M, a-nu-shim; the plural number of ish.

^a The African lions. M, a-rä-yôth'. ^b "Earthling man." M, a-dam'. ^c Or, "thorns," put through the cheek or nose of animals as well as captives in order to lead them on a rope. ^d "Dwelling towers." By the substitution of a letter in the Hebrew word in M. Literally, "widows," M; or, "palaces." ^e Possibly, "camp," by change of a taw to a heth.

³ "Son of man, speak with the elderly men of Israel, and you must say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Is it in order to inquire of me that you men are coming?"^t 'As I am alive, I will not be inquired of by^a YOU,"^u is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.'"

⁴ "Will you judge them? Will you judge [them], O son of man?^v Cause them to know the detestable things of their forefathers.^y

⁵ And you must say to them, "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "In the day of my choosing Israel,^z I also proceeded to lift up my hand [in an oath] to the seed of the house of Jacob⁸ and to make myself known to them in the land of Egypt.⁹ Yes, I proceeded to lift up my hand [in an oath] to them, saying, 'I am Jehovah YOUR God.'^{ba} "In that day I lifted up my hand⁹ [in an oath] to them to bring them forth from the land of Egypt to a land that I had spied out for them, one flowing with milk and honey.^{*} It was the decoration of all the lands.⁹ "And I went on to say to them, "Throw away, each one of YOU, the disgusting things of his own eyes,^{*} and with the dungy idols of Egypt do not defile yourselves.^{*} I am Jehovah YOUR God."^{bk}

⁸ " "And they began to rebel against me,ⁿ and they did not consent to listen to me. The disgusting things of their eyes they did not individually throw away, and the dungy idols of Egypt they did not leave,^r so that I promised^c to pour out my rage upon them, in order to bring my anger to its finish upon them in the midst of the land of Egypt.^s ⁹ And I went acting for

^a Or, "for"; that is, through Ezekiel. ^b "God." M, *Elohim*. ^c Literally, "said," M.

tIsa 1:12
Mt 3:7
uIsa 28:6
Pr 15:8
Pr 28:9
Isa 1:15
Eze 14:3
Mic 3:7
Mt 15:8
vIsa 5:3
Jer 7:16
Jer 11:14
Eze 14:14
yEze 16:2
Lu 11:47
Ac 7:51
zEx 6:7
Ex 19:4
De 4:37
Ps 33:12
Isa 41:8
Jer 33:24
*Ex 6:8
De 32:40
Eze 47:14
□Ex 3:8
De 4:34
Ps 103:7
△Ge 17:7
Ex 3:6
Ex 6:3
Ex 20:2
□Ge 14:22
Da 12:7
Re 10:5
*Ex 3:8
Jer 32:22
□Ps 48:2
Isa 62:3
Da 8:9
Da 11:41
*2Ch 15:8
Isa 2:20
*De 29:17
Jos 24:14
kEx 16:12
nDe 9:7
Ne 9:26
Isa 63:10
rEx 32:4
sNu 11:10
De 9:19
Eze 5:13
Eze 7:8

tEx 32:12
Nu 14:13
De 9:23
Jos 7:9
Isa 12:22
Eze 36:21
uJos 2:10
Jos 9:9
Isa 4:8
vEx 13:17
Ex 14:17
Ex 15:22
Ex 20:2
yEx 13:10
Le 3:17
zDe 4:8
Ne 9:13
Ps 147:19
Le 18:5
*Le 30:16
Lu 10:28
Ro 10:5
Ga 3:12
□Lu 23:8
□Ex 20:8
Le 23:3
Le 23:24
Le 23:32
Le 25:4
Ne 9:14
△Ex 31:13
□Le 20:8
*Ex 32:8
Nu 14:22
□Le 26:15
*Le 26:43
*Eze 18:9
Ro 10:5
kIsa 56:6

nEx 32:10
Nu 14:12

rJos 7:9
Eze 36:22
sNu 14:30
Nu 26:65
De 1:34
Ps 95:11
Ps 106:26
Heb 3:11
Heb 4:3
tEx 13:5
Le 20:24
Nu 13:27
De 11:9
Jos 5:6
Jer 11:5
uEze 20:6
Zec 7:14

the sake of my own name that [it] might not be profaned before the eyes of the nations in among whom they were,^t because I had made myself known to them before their eyes on bringing them forth from the land of Egypt.^u ¹⁰ So I brought them forth from the land of Egypt and brought them into the wilderness.^v

¹¹ " "And I proceeded to give them my statutes,^y and my judicial decisions^z I made known to them, in order that the man^a who keeps doing them might also keep living by them.^{*} ¹² And my sabbaths I also gave to them,⁹ to become a sign⁹ between me and them,^a in order [for them] to know that I am Jehovah who is sanctifying them.^b

¹³ " "But they, the house of Israel, rebelled against me in the wilderness.^{*} In my statutes they did not walk,⁹ and my judicial decisions they rejected,^x which, should the man^a keep doing, he will also keep living by them.^{*} And my sabbaths they profaned very much,^k so that I promised^c to pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, in order to exterminate them.ⁿ

¹⁴ But I acted for the sake of my own name that [it] might not be profaned before the eyes of the nations, before whose eyes I had brought them forth.^r ¹⁵ And I myself also lifted up my hand [in an oath] to them in the wilderness,^s not to bring them into the land that I had given, one flowing with milk and honey,^t (it is the decoration of all the lands,) ^u ¹⁶ for the reason that they rejected my own judicial decisions; and as regards my statutes, they did not walk

^a "Man." M, *adam*. ^b Or, "I, Jehovah, am sanctifying them."
^c Literally, "said," M.

in them, and my sabbaths they profaned, because it was after their dungy idols that their heart was going.^v

17 " "And my eye began to feel sorry for them [to keep me] from bringing them to ruin,^y and I did not make an extermination of them in the wilderness.^z 18 And I proceeded to say to their sons in the wilderness, 'In the regulations of your forefathers do not you walk,^o and their judgments do not you keep,^a and with their dungy idols do not you defile yourselves.' 19 I am Jehovah YOUR God.^a Walk in my own statutes,^o and keep my own judicial decisions^b and do them.^a 20 And sanctify my own sabbaths,^k and they must serve as a sign between me and you, [for you] to know that I am Jehovah YOUR God.^a

21 " "And the sons began to rebel against me.^r In my statutes they did not walk,^s and my judicial decisions they did not keep by doing them, which, should the man^c keep doing, he will also keep living by them. My sabbaths they profaned.^t So I promised^d to pour out my rage upon them, in order to bring my anger to its finish upon them in the wilderness.^u 22 And I drew back my hand^v and went acting for the sake of my own name, that [it] should not be profaned before the eyes of the nations, before whose eyes I had brought them out.^y 23 Also, I myself lifted up my hand [in an oath] to them in the wilderness,^z to scatter them among the nations and to disperse them among the lands,^a for the reason that they did not carry out my

^a Or, "I, Jehovah, am YOUR God [Elohim]."^b Or, "my own judgments."^c "Man." M, a-dam'.^d Literally, "said," M.

vEx 32:4
Nu 25:2
De 29:17
1Ki 21:26
Ps 78:37
Eze 14:4
Ac 7:42
yIsa 24:10
Ne 9:19
Ps 78:38
zJer 4:27
Eze 11:13
Nu 14:33
De 4:5
oPs 78:8
Eze 5:7
aZec 1:2
Ac 7:51
1Pe 1:18
oJer 2:7
Jer 3:9
De 5:6
Ps 81:10
eLe 25:18
De 28:15
De 4:1
De 5:1
kEx 20:11
nEx 31:13

rDe 9:23
sEze 20:11

tEze 20:13

uLa 4:11
Eze 7:8
Eze 13:15
vPs 78:38

yPs 25:11
Ps 79:9
Ps 115:1
Isa 48:9
Jer 14:7
Da 9:19
zDe 32:40
Eze 20:15
Le 26:33
De 28:64
Ps 106:27
Jer 15:4

oLe 26:43

aLe 26:15

oEze 20:13

*Jer 2:7

Jer 3:9

Eze 6:9

oPs 81:12

Isa 66:4

Ro 1:24

2Th 2:11

oMt 2:11

*Le 18:21

2Ki 17:17

2Ch 28:3

Jer 32:35

Eze 16:20

kEze 6:7

nEze 2:7

rLe 24:11

Ro 2:24

sJos 23:5

Ne 9:22

tPs 105:9

Eze 20:6

uPs 78:58

Isa 57:5

oEze 40:43

vEze 16:19

yJer 19:13

zEze 16:24

Eze 16:31

*Nu 32:14

Jg 2:19

2Ch 21:13

Jer 7:26

Jer 9:14

Jer 13:27

Ac 7:51

own judicial decisions^o and they rejected my own statutes^a and they profaned my own sabbaths,^o and it was after the dungy idols of their forefathers that their eyes proved to be.^a 25 And I myself also let them have^a regulations that were not good and judicial decisions by which they could not keep living.^o 26 And I would let them become defiled^b by their gifts^o when [they] made every child opening the womb pass through [the fire],^a in order that I might make them desolate, in order that they might know that I am Jehovah.^a 27

"Therefore speak to the house of Israel, O son of man, and you must say to them,ⁿ 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Yet as regards this, YOUR forefathers spoke abusively of me in their acting against me with unfaithfulness.^r 28 And I proceeded to bring them into the land^a that I had lifted up my hand [in an oath] to give them.^t When they got to see every exalted hill and every branchy tree, then they began sacrificing there their sacrifices^u and giving there their offensive offering,^o and presenting there their restful^c odors^v and pouring out there their drink offerings.^y 29 So I said to them, 'What does the high place mean to which you are coming, that its name should be called a High Place^d down to this day?' " 30

"Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "In the way of YOUR forefathers are you people defiling yourselves, and after their disgusting things are you going in unfaithful intercourse?" 31 And

^a Literally, "gave them," M. ^b Literally, "I would defile them," M. ^c Or, "soothing; tranquilizing." ^d "A High Place." Or, "Ba'mah"; according to the Hebrew. "A-ba-ma', LXX.

through lifting up YOUR gifts by making YOUR sons pass through the fire,^a are YOU defiling yourselves for all YOUR dungy idols down till today?^a At the same time shall I myself be inquired of by YOU people, O house of Israel?"^b

"As I am alive,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'I will not be inquired of by YOU.'^c And that which is coming up into YOUR spirit^a will itself positively not happen,* in that YOU are saying: "Let us become like the nations, like the families of the lands,* in ministering to wood and stone."'^c

33 "As I am alive,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'it will be with a strong hand and with a stretched-out arm and with outpoured rage that I will rule as king over YOU people.'^c And I will bring you forth from the peoples, and I will collect you together out of the lands to which YOU have been scattered with a strong hand and with a stretched-out arm and with outpoured rage.^c And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples^s and put myself on judgment with YOU there face to face.^c

36 "Just as I put myself on judgment with YOUR forefathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt,^u so I shall put myself on judgment with YOU,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^c And I will make YOU pass under the rod^v and bring YOU into the bond of the covenant.^v And I will purge out from YOU the revolvers and the transgressors,^z for out of the land of their temporary residence I shall bring them forth, but on to the soil of Israel they will not come;* and you people will have to know that I am Jehovah.^u

^a "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma.

De 18:10
Ps 106:37
Jer 7:31
Jer 19:5
De 29:17
1K1 21:26
Eze 20:7
Isa 28:6
Pr 1:28
Pr 28:9
Isa 1:15
Jer 14:12
Zec 7:13
1Co 5:3
Pr 19:21
La 3:37
Isa 8:5
Ro 12:2
kDe 4:28
De 28:36
Isa 37:19
Jer 44:17
Da 5:4
nJer 21:5
Jer 42:18
Eze 8:18
Da 9:11
rIsa 27:13
Eze 34:16
Am 9:9
sEze 38:8
Ho 2:14
Mic 4:10
tJer 2:9
Jer 25:31
Eze 17:20
Ho 4:1
Mic 6:2
u1Co 10:9
Heb 3:16
vLe 27:32
Jer 33:13
Eze 34:17
yPs 89:34
Eze 16:59
Am 3:2
zNu 14:30
Eze 34:20
Am 9:9
Mal 3:3
Mt 3:12
Ps 95:11
Eze 13:9
1Co 10:5
Heb 4:6
Eze 6:13

39 "And you people, O house of Israel, this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'Go serve each one of YOU his own dungy idols.^a And afterward if YOU are not listening to me, then my holy name YOU will no more profane by YOUR gifts and by YOUR dungy idols.'^b

40 "For in my holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^a 'there is where they, the whole house of Israel in its entirety, will serve me, in the land.^b There I shall take pleasure in them and there I shall require YOUR contributions and the first fruits of YOUR presentations in all YOUR holy things.^c Because of the restful odor I shall take pleasure in YOU,* when I bring you forth from the peoples and I actually collect you together from the lands to which you have been scattered,^k and I will be sanctified in you before the eyes of the nations.'^d

42 "And you people will have to know that I am Jehovah,^e when I bring you onto the soil of Israel,^s into the land that I lifted up my hand [in an oath] to give to YOUR forefathers.^t And you will certainly remember there YOUR ways^u and all YOUR dealings by which you defiled yourselves,^v and you will actually feel a loathing at YOUR own faces because of all YOUR bad things that you did.^v And you will have to know that I am Jehovah^z when I take action with you for the sake of my name,* not according to YOUR bad ways or according to YOUR corrupted dealings,^z O house of Israel,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^u

Jg 10:14
Ps 81:12
Ho 4:17
Am 4:4
Pr 21:27
Isa 1:13
Jer 7:10
Isa 2:2
Isa 66:20
Eze 17:23
Heb 12:22
Isa 56:7
Mic 4:2
Mal 3:4
Joh 4:23
Heb 13:15
Ge 8:21
Eph 5:2
Php 4:18
kIsa 11:11
Jer 23:3
Mt 24:31
nLe 10:3
Isa 5:16
Eze 38:23
Heb 13:12
rJer 24:7
Eze 36:23
Joh 17:3
sEze 11:17
tEze 20:15
uLe 26:40
Ne 1:9
Eze 16:61
Ho 5:15
vEze 6:9
yJer 31:18
Lu 18:13
2Co 7:11
zEze 24:24
Ps 79:9
Eze 36:22
1Ti 1:16

^a "The Lord Jehovah." M, A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'; LXX, Ky'ri.os Ky'ri.os; Vg, Do'mi.nus De'us; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; T, "Jehovah God"; Luther German, der Herr Herr.

45 And^a the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ⁴⁶ "Son of man, set your face^a in the direction of the southern quarter^b and drip^c [words] to the south,^c and prophesy to the forest of the field of [the] south.^d ⁴⁷ And you must say to the forest of the south,^d 'Hear the word of Jehovah. This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Here I am setting a fire ablaze against you,^e and it must devour in you every still-moist tree and every dry tree.^f The kindling flame will not be extinguished,^g and by it all faces must be scorched from [the] south^d to the north.^k ⁴⁸ And all those of flesh must see that I myself, Jehovah, have set it afire, so that it will not be extinguished." ' "n

49 And I proceeded to say: "Alas, O Lord Jehovah!^o They are saying respecting me, 'Is he not composing proverbial sayings?' "r

21 And^t the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, set your face toward Jerusalem^s and drip^t [words] toward the holy places,^u and prophesy against the soil of Israel. ³ And you must say to the soil of Israel, 'This is what Jehovah has said: "Here I am against you,^v and I will bring forth my sword out of its sheath^v and cut off from you righteous one and wicked one.^z ⁴ In order that I may actually cut off from you righteous one and wicked one, therefore my sword will go forth from its sheath against all flesh from south^d to north.^z ⁵ And all those of flesh will have to know that I

^a With this verse chapter 21 begins in M. ^b "The southern quarter." M, *tei.man'*; LXX, *Thai.man'*; Vg, *au'ster*. ^c "South." M, *da.rōm'*; LXX, *Da.rōm'*; Vg, *a'fri.cus*. ^d Or, "Neg'eb." M, *neg'eb*. ^e See Ezekiel 20: 39, footnote a. ^f With this verse chapter 21 opens in VgSyT.

^aEze 4:7

^bDe 32:2
Job 29:22
Eze 21:2
Am 7:16
Jer 22:7
Zec 11:2

^cDe 32:22
Isa 9:18
Jer 21:14
Eze 17:24
Lu 23:31
Isa 66:24
Mt 3:12
kIsa 24:3
Eze 21:4

ⁿDe 29:24
2Ch 7:20
Isa 26:11
Jer 40:3
La 2:17

^rPs 78:2
Eze 17:2

^sEze 40:46
tDe 32:2
Job 29:22
Eze 20:46
Am 7:16
uEze 6:3
Ac 6:13
1Pe 4:17
vJer 21:13
Eze 5:8
yLe 26:25
De 32:41
Ps 17:13
Jer 47:6
Eze 14:17
Zec 13:7
zJob 9:22

^zEze 7:2
Eze 20:47

myself, Jehovah, have brought forth my sword from its sheath.^q No more will it go back." ¹¹

6 "And as for you, O son of man, sigh with shaking hips.^a Even with bitterness you should sigh before their eyes.^b And it must occur, in case they say to you, 'On account of what are you sighing?'^c that you must say, 'At a report.' For it will certainly come,^d and every heart must melt^k and all hands must drop downⁿ and every spirit^b must become dejected^r and all knees themselves will drip with water.^{cs} 'Look! It will certainly come^t and be brought to occur,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."^d

8 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ⁹ "Son of man, prophesy, and you must say, 'This is what Jehovah^o has said: "Say, 'A sword, a sword!^u It has been sharpened,^v and it is also polished. ¹⁰ For the purpose of organizing a slaughter it has been sharpened; for the purpose of its getting a glit-ter^f it has been polished.' " ' "y

"Or shall we exult?"^z
"Is it rejecting the scepter of my own son," as [it does] every tree?"^z

11 "And one gives it to be polished, in order to wield [it] with the hand. It—a sword has been sharpened, and it—it has been polished, in order to give it into the hand of a killer.^a

12 "Cry out and howl,^o O son of man, for

^qDe 29:24
1Kl 9:7
^aIsa 45:23
Jer 23:20
Na 1:9
^bIsa 21:3
^cIsa 22:4
Jer 4:19
Eze 9:8
^dEze 24:19
2Kl 21:12
Isa 7:2
Jer 49:23
^eJer 6:22
kDe 20:8
Jos 2:11
Jos 5:1
nIsa 35:3
Jer 50:43
Heb 12:12
rLe 26:36
De 7:20
Jos 24:12
La 5:17
Lu 21:26
sEze 7:17
tEze 7:12
1Pe 4:7
uIsa 66:16
Jer 12:12
Am 9:4
vDe 32:41
Ps 7:12

yJer 46:4
Na 3:3
Hab 3:11
zIsa 5:14
Isa 22:13
2Sa 7:14
oEze 19:11
Eze 20:47

^aJer 25:9
Jer 25:33
Jer 51:20
^bJer 25:34
Eze 9:8
Mic 1:8

^a Literally, "with the breakdown of hips," M. ^b "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c That is, urinate under the pressure of fear. ^d See Ezekiel 20: 39, footnote a. ^e "Jehovah," three Hebrew manuscripts and LXX; "The Sovereign Lord," (*A.donay*) in some printed Hebrew editions, like that of Rudolf Kittel; "the Lord Jehovah," eleven Hebrew manuscripts and two early Hebrew printed editions; "Jehovah God," VgT; "the Lord of lords," Sy. See Ezekiel 18: 25, footnote b. ^f Literally, "lightning." M, *ba-rag'*.

it itself has come to be against my people;* it is against all the chieftains of Israel.^b The very ones hurled to the sword have come to be with my people.* Therefore make a slap on [the] thigh.¹³ For an extermination has been made,^k and what [of it] if it is rejecting also the scepter?ⁿ This^a will not continue existing,^r is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^b

14 "And you, O son of man—prophesy, and strike palm against palm,^s and 'A sword!' should be doubled for three times.^t The sword of the slain ones it is. It is the sword of one slain who is great, which is making an encirclement^u of them.^v ¹⁵ In order for the heart to disintegrate^v and [in order] to multiply those who are overthrown at all their gates,^z I will make a slaughter by the sword. Alas, it is made for a glittering,^c polished for a slaughter!¹⁶ Show yourself^d sharp;^q go to the right!¹⁴ Set your position; go to the left! To wherever your face is directed!¹⁷ And I myself also shall strike my one palm against my other palm,* and I will bring my rage to its rest.^o I myself, Jehovah, have spoken."

18 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁹ "And as for you, O son of man, set for yourself two ways for the sword of the king of Babylon^e to enter.* From the one land both of them should go forth, and an [index] hand should be cut out;^f at the head of the way to the city it should be cut out.^{f#} ²⁰ A way

^a Literally, "It." That is, the scepter, which is masculine in gender; not the sword, which is feminine in gender in M. ^b See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^c Literally, "lightning." M, *ba-raḡ*. ^d "Show yourself," in the feminine gender, this command being addressed to the sword. ^e "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^f "Should be cut out." The Hebrew here is in the infinitive absolute and is therefore impersonal and indefinite as to time.

*Jer 25:2

oEze 19:1

*Jer 25:16

kDe 28:21

Isa 28:22

Jer 5:3

La 2:22

nNu 24:17

2Ki 25:7

Ps 125:3

Eze 19:14

rJer 39:6

Eze 21:26

sNu 24:10

Eze 6:11

tLe 26:21

u2Ki 25:2

Jer 52:5

Lu 19:43

v2Ki 25:1

Jer 52:4

yEze 21:7

zJer 17:27

*Eze 21:10

oEze 14:17

aEze 16:46

+Nu 24:10

Eze 22:13

oDe 28:63

Isa 1:24

Eze 16:42

*2Ki 25:1

2Ch 36:17

Jer 39:1

Jer 52:4

*Eze 4:1

Eze 5:1

you should set for [the] sword to enter against Rab'bah^k of the sons of Am'mon,^o and [one] against Judah, against Jerusalem fortified.ⁿ ²¹ For the king of Babylon^a stood still at the crossways,^{br} at the head of the two ways, in order to resort to divination.^s He has shaken the arrows. He has asked by means of the teraphim;^{co} he has looked into the liver.^t ²² In his right hand the divination proved to be for Jerusalem, to set battering-rams,^u to open one's mouth in a war cry,^d to raise the sound in an alarm signal,^v to set battering-rams against gates, to throw up a siege rampart, to build a siege wall.^v ²³ And it has become to them like an untrue divination in their eyes.^z There are those sworn into oaths to them,* and he is calling error to remembrance,^q in order [for them] to be caught.^a

24 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'By reason of YOUR causing YOUR error to be remembered by YOUR transgressions being uncovered, in order that YOUR sins may be seen according to all YOUR dealings, by reason of YOUR being called to remembrance^q YOU people will be seized even by the hand.'^a

25 "And as for you, O deadly wounded, wicked chieftain of Israel,^e whose day has come in the time of the error of [the] end,^x ²⁶ this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Remove the turban, and lift off the crown.* This^e will not be the

oAm 1:13

kDe 3:11

2Sa 12:26

Jer 49:2

Eze 25:5

n2Sa 5:9

2Ch 26:9

2Ch 32:5

2Ch 33:14

Ps 48:12

Isa 22:10

La 4:12

oHo 3:4

rPr 21:1

sNu 22:7

De 18:10

1Sa 15:23

Isa 3:2

Jer 27:9

Eze 13:6

tJg 18:14

2Ki 23:24

Zec 10:2

u2Ki 25:1

Eze 4:2

vEx 32:17

Jos 6:20

1Sa 17:20

yJer 32:24

Jer 33:4

Jer 52:4

zIsa 28:15

*2Ch 36:13

Eze 17:13

o2Ki 24:20

a2Ki 25:6

oJer 2:34

Jer 8:12

*Jer 15:2

o2Ch 36:13

Jer 24:8

Jer 52:2

*Jer 51:13

Eze 7:6

#2Ki 25:6

Jer 13:18

Jer 39:7

Jer 52:11

La 5:16

^a "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^b "Crossways." Literally, "mother of the way," M. ^c "Teraphim," M; "carved images," LXX; "idols," Vg. ^d "War cry," by a transposition of the letters of the Hebrew word; literally, "murder," M. ^e "This," M, *zōth*; in the feminine gender.

same.^{ak} Put on high even what is low,ⁿ and bring low even the high one.^{r 27} A ruin, a ruin, a ruin^b I shall make it.^{cs} As for this^d also, it will certainly become no [one's] until he comes who has the legal right,^t and I must give [it] to him.^{eu}

28 "And you, O son of man, prophesy, and you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said concerning the sons of Am'mon and concerning the reproach from them.' And you must say, 'A sword, a sword drawn for a slaughter, polished for an extermination,^f in order to glitter,^v because of [their] beholding for you^s an unreality,^v because of [their] divining for you^s a lie,^z in order to put you^s on the necks of the slain ones, the wicked men whose day has come in the time of the error of [the] end.'^{*}

³⁰ Return [it] to its sheath.^o In the place that you^s were created, in the land of your^s origin,^a I shall judge you.^s ³¹ And I will pour out upon you^s my denunciation.^o With the fire of my fury I shall blow upon you,⁺ and I will give you into the hand of men^h who are unreasoning, the craftsmen of ruin.^o ³² For the fire you will become fuel.* Your own blood will prove to be in the midst of the land. You will not be remembered, for I myself, Jehovah, have spoken.' ^{'''}

22 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "And as for you, O son of man, will you judge,^k will you judge

^a "The same." Literally, "this," M; in the feminine gender. ^b Or, "a distortion (twisting)." ^c "It." The pronoun is in the feminine gender. ^d "This." M, *zōth*; in the feminine gender. ^e Or, "I must give it [that is, the rightful due]." ^f Or, "for causing a devouring." ^g The Hebrew pronoun is in the singular number, feminine gender, evidently referring to Rab'bah of the Am'monites. ^h "Men." M, *a-nā-shim*.

kEze 21:13
n1Sa 2:7
Ps 75:7
Ps 113:7
Da 4:37
r2K1 25:6
Lu 21:24
sGe 6:13
2Ch 20:23
Eze 5:16
Eze 25:15
Re 11:18
tGe 49:10
Ps 89:3
Ps 110:1
Isa 9:6
Da 2:44
Lu 1:32
uPs 2:8
Da 7:14
Lu 22:29
Re 12:5
vJer 49:2
Am 1:13
yIsa 59:4
zJer 27:9
Eze 21:20

*Ps 37:13

qJer 47:6
Jer 49:3
AGe 19:38
De 3:11

oNa 1:6

+Isa 40:7
Jer 49:3

gJer 4:7
Eze 25:5
*Jer 49:2
Am 1:14

#Eze 25:7

kEze 20:4

n2K1 21:16
2K1 24:4
Jer 2:34
Ho 4:2
Mt 23:35
rIsa 58:1
sEze 24:6
tEze 12:25
2Pe 2:3

u2K1 21:11
2K1 23:24
vGe 9:6
2K1 21:16
Ps 106:38
yLe 26:30

zDe 28:37
1K1 9:7
2Ch 7:20
Ps 44:14
Jer 18:16
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Pr 22:22
gJer 7:6
Mal 3:5

*Le 19:30
Eze 20:13

#Ex 23:1
Le 19:16
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1Co 5:1
sLe 18:19
Le 20:18

the bloodguilty city^{an} and certainly cause her to know all her detestable things?^{r 3} And you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said: "O city that is shedding blood^s in the midst of herself till her time comes,^t and that has made dungy idols within herself in order to become unclean,^u ⁴ by your blood that you have shed you have become guilty,^v and by your dungy idols that you have made you have become unclean.^v And you bring your days near and you will come to your years. That is why I must make you an object of reproach to the nations and a derision to all the lands.^z ⁵ The [lands] nearby and those far away from you will deride you, O you unclean in name, abounding in confusion.* ⁶ Look! the chieftains^o of Israel have proved to be in you, each one [given over] to his arm for the purpose of shedding blood.^a ⁷ Father and mother they have treated with contempt in you.^o Toward the temporary resident they have acted with defrauding in the midst of you.* Fatherless boy and widow they have maltreated in you." ^{'''}

8 "My holy places you have despised, and my sabbaths you have profaned.* ⁹ Outright slanderers^c have proved to be in you for the purpose of shedding blood,* and on the mountains they have eaten in you.^k Loose conduct they have carried on in the midst of you.ⁿ ¹⁰ The nakedness of even a father they have uncovered^d in you;^r a woman unclean in [her] menstruation they have humiliated in you.^s ¹¹ And with the wife of his companion a man^o

^a Literally, "the city of the bloods," M. ^b See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^c Literally, "men [*a-nā-shim*]" of slander," M. ^d Literally, "one [or, he] has uncovered," M. ^e "Man." M, *ish*.

has done a detestable thing,^t and his own daughter-in-law a man^a has defiled with loose conduct,^u and his sister, the daughter of his own father, a man^a has humiliated in you.^v ¹² A bribe they have taken in you for the purpose of shedding blood.^v Interest^z and usury you have taken,^{*} and you violently keep making gain^o of your companions with defrauding,^Δ and me you have forgotten,^Δ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

¹³ "And, look! I have struck my hand⁺ at your unjust gain that you have made,^o and over your acts of bloodshed^b that have proved to be in the midst of you.^{*} ¹⁴ Will your heart keep enduring^o or your hands furnish strength in the days when I am taking action toward you?^k I myself, Jehovah, have spoken and I will take action.ⁿ ¹⁵ And I will scatter you among the nations and disperse you among the lands,⁺ and I will destroy^c your uncleanness out of you.^s ¹⁶ And you will certainly be profaned within yourself before the eyes of [the] nations,^t and you will have to know that I am Jehovah."^u

¹⁷ And the word of Jehovah continued to come to me, saying: ¹⁸ "Son of man, to me those of the house of Israel have become as scummy dross.^v All of them are copper^v and tin and iron and lead in the midst of a furnace. Much scummy dross, [that of] silver, they have become.^z

¹⁹ "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that all of you have become as much scummy dross,' therefore here

^a "Man." M, *ish*. ^b Literally, "your blood," M; but as the subject of a verb in the plural number. ^c Literally, "terminate," M.

tLe 18:20
De 22:22
Jer 5:8
uLe 18:15
Le 20:12
vLe 18:9
Le 20:17
De 27:22
2Sa 13:1
yEx 23:8
De 16:19
Isa 1:23
zEx 22:25
De 23:19
*Le 25:36
oPr 1:19
ΔLe 6:2
ΔDe 32:18
Ps 106:21
+Eze 21:17
oPr 28:8

*Eze 22:2

*Eze 21:7

kJob 40:9
Isa 31:3
1Co 10:22

nEze 17:24

rDe 4:27
Jer 15:4
Jas 1:1
sIsa 1:25
Mal 3:3
tIsa 47:6
uEze 6:13

vIsa 1:22
yIsa 48:4

zPr 17:3
Isa 48:10

*Ps 119:119
Isa 1:25

I am collecting YOU together into the midst of Jerusalem.^o ²⁰ As in collecting silver and copper and iron and lead and tin into the midst of a furnace,^Δ in order to blow upon it with fire to cause a melting,^o so I shall collect [them] together in my anger and in my rage, and I will blow^a and cause YOU people to melt.⁺ ²¹ And I will bring you together and blow upon you with the fire of my fury,^o and YOU must be melted in the midst of her.^b ²² As in the melting of silver in the midst of a furnace, so YOU people will be melted in the midst of her;^b and you will have to know that I myself, Jehovah, have poured out my rage upon YOU."^u

²³ And the word of Jehovah continued to come to me, saying: ²⁴ "Son of man, say to her, 'You are a land not being cleansed, one not rained down upon in the land of denunciation.^k ²⁵ There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst of her,ⁿ like the roaring lion,^r tearing prey.^s A soul^c they actually devour.^t Treasure and precious things they keep taking.^u Her widows they have multiplied in the midst of her.^v ²⁶ Her priests themselves have done violence to my law^v and they keep profaning my holy places.^z Between the holy thing and the common^d they have made no distinction,^o and between the unclean thing and the clean they have made nothing known,^Δ and from my sabbaths they have hidden their eyes,^o and I am profaned in the midst of them.⁺ ²⁷ Her princes in the midst of her are like wolves tearing prey

oEze 11:7
Mic 4:12
Mt 13:30

ΔPr 27:21

ΔIsa 54:16
Eze 21:31

+De 20:8
Jos 2:11

Jos 5:1
Eze 21:7

ΔDe 4:24
De 29:20

2Ki 25:9
Ps 21:9

Isa 30:33
Jer 21:12

Eze 15:7
Na 1:6

*Ps 68:2
Ps 112:10

Isa 64:2
*Eze 20:8

Ho 5:10

kPs 69:24
Isa 10:5

Jer 10:10
n1Ki 22:12

Jer 5:31
Jer 6:13

rJer 2:30
sHo 6:9

Mic 3:5
tMr 12:40

Lu 20:47
uJas 5:4

vJer 15:8
yJer 2:8

La 4:13
Mic 3:11

Zep 3:4
Mal 2:8

zLe 20:3
*Eze 44:23

Le 10:10
Isa 21:6

Lu 6:4
ΔLe 11:47

Ac 10:14
ΔEze 20:13

*Eze 36:20
Ro 2:24

^a "Blow"; by a correction of M. Literally, "deposit," without an object, M. ^b Or, "it." The pronoun is in the feminine gender to refer to the city of Jerusalem. ^c "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chai*; Vg, *a'ni-mae*. ^d Or, "profane."

in shedding blood,^a in destroying souls^a for the purpose of making unjust gain.^x ²⁸ And her prophets themselves have coated them with whitewash,[#] visioning an unreality^k and divining for them a lie,ⁿ saying: "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said," when Jehovah himself has not spoken.²⁹ The people of the land themselves have carried on a scheme of defrauding^s and have done a tearing away in robbery,^t and the afflicted one and the poor one they have maltreated,^u and the temporary resident they have defrauded without justice.^v

30 "And I kept looking for a man^b from among them who would be repairing the stone wall^y and standing in the gap^m before me in behalf of the land, in order [for me] not to bring it to ruin;^z and I found no one.³¹ So I shall pour out my denunciation^{*} upon them. With the fire of my fury I will exterminate them.[□] Their way I will bring upon their own head,¹⁴ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."^c

23 And the word of Jehovah proceeded to come to me, saying: ² "Son of man, two women, the daughters of one mother, there happened to be.[□] ³ And they began to prostitute themselves in Egypt.^{*} In their youth they committed prostitution.[□] There their breasts were squeezed, and there they pressed the bosoms of their virginity. ⁴ And their names were O.ho'lah^d the older one^e and O.hol'i.bah^f her sister, and they came to be mine^g and began to give birth to sons and daughters.^k And as for their names,

^a "Souls." M, *n^opha.shōth'*; Vg, *a'ni.mae*. ^b "A man." M, *ish*. ^c See Ezekiel 20: 39, footnote a. ^d Meaning "Her [own] Tent." ^e Literally, "the great one" (feminine), M. ^f Meaning "My Tent Is in Her."

ⓈEze 22:6
*Mt 21:13
#Isa 30:10
Eze 13:10
kEze 21:29
nJer 23:25
La 2:14
sLe 6:2
Jer 5:26
Mic 2:2
tPs 62:10
Isa 3:14
uEx 22:21
Le 19:33
vEx 23:9

yIsa 59:16
Isa 63:5
Jer 5:1
mPs 106:23
zGe 18:23
Ex 32:11
*Isa 26:20
□Isa 10:22
Na 1:6
ΔEze 11:21

ⓈJer 3:7
Eze 16:46
+Le 17:7
De 29:17
Jos 24:14
Eze 20:8
ⓈEze 16:22
Ho 2:15

*1Kl 12:20
#Ex 19:5
Jer 2:3
Eze 16:8
kEze 16:20

n1Kl 16:24
Joh 4:5
r1Kl 8:29
Ps 132:13
Joh 4:20
s1Kl 14:16
1Kl 21:26
2Kl 17:7
tEze 16:33
Ho 2:5
u2Kl 15:19
2Kl 16:7
Ho 5:13
Ho 8:9
Ho 10:6

vPs 106:39
Ho 5:3
Ho 6:10

yEx 32:4
1Kl 12:28
2Kl 10:29
2Kl 17:16
Eze 23:3
z2Kl 15:29
*2Kl 17:3
2Kl 17:23
2Kl 18:9
1Ch 5:26
Ho 11:5
□Eze 16:37
Ho 2:10
Δ2Kl 17:6
2Kl 18:11
m2Kl 17:18

*Jer 3:7

ⓈJer 3:8

*2Kl 16:7
2Ch 28:16

O.ho'lah is Sa-mar'i-a,ⁿ and O.hol'i.bah is Jeru-salem.^r

5 "And O.ho'lah began to prostitute herself,^s while subject to me, and kept lusting after those passionately loving her,^t after the As-syr'i-ans,^u who were near,[□] governors clothed with coccus scarlet stuff, and their deputy rulers—desirable young men all of them, cavalymen riding horses. ⁷ And she continued giving forth her prostitutions upon them, the choicest sons of As-syr'i-a all of them; and with all those after whom she lusted—with their dungy idols—she defiled herself.^v ⁸ And her prostitutions [carried] from Egypt she did not leave, for with her they had lain down in her youth, and they were the ones that pressed the bosoms of her virginity and they kept pouring out their immoral intercourse upon her.^y ⁹ Therefore I gave her into the hand of those passionately loving her,^z into the hand of the sons of As-syr'i-a, toward whom she had lusted.^{*} ¹⁰ They were the ones that uncovered her nakedness.[□] Her sons and her daughters they took,¹⁴ and her they killed even with sword. And she came to be infamy^a to women, and acts of judgment were what they executed upon her.^m

11 "When her sister O.hol'i.bah got to see [it],^{*} then she exercised her sensual desire more ruinously than she, and her prostitution more than the fornication of her sister.[□] ¹² For the sons of As-syr'i-a she lusted,^x governors and deputy rulers who were near, clothed with perfect taste, cavalymen riding horses—desirable

^a Or, "reputation." Literally, "name"; here in a bad, infamous sense.

young men all of them.^a ¹³ And I got to see that, because she had defiled herself, both of them had one way.^k ¹⁴ And she kept adding to her acts of prostitution when she got to see the men^a in carvings upon the wall,ⁿ images^r of Chal-de'ans carved in vermilion,^s ¹⁵ girded with belts^t on their hips, with pendant turbans on their heads, having the appearance of warriors,^b all of them, the likeness of the sons of Babylon,^c Chal-de'ans as respects the land of their birth. ¹⁶ And she began to lust after them at the sight of her eyes^u and proceeded to send messengers to them in Chal-de'a.^v ¹⁷ And the sons of Babylon^c kept coming in to her, to the bed of expressions of love, and defiling her with their immoral intercourse;^y and she continued getting defiled by them, and her soul^d began to turn away disgusted from them. ¹⁸ And she went on uncovering her acts of prostitution and uncovering her nakedness,^z so that my soul^d began to turn away disgusted from company with her, just as my soul^d had turned away disgusted from company with her sister.^{*} ¹⁹ And she kept multiplying her acts of prostitution[□] to the point of calling to mind the days of her youth,^Δ when she prostituted herself in the land of Egypt.^Δ ²⁰ And she kept lusting in the style of concubines belonging to those whose fleshly member^e is as the fleshly member^e of male

^a "Men." M, *anā.shim'*. ^b "Warriors." Or, "shield-bearers." Hebrew, *sha.li.shim'*; literally, "third men." LXX, *tris-se'* ("threefold"); Vg, *du'ces* ("leaders"). As regards chariots, As.syr'ian bas-reliefs show one of the three chariot occupants to be an armor-bearer or umbrella-bearer, a third man. ^c "Babylon," Vg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^d "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma.* ^e "Fleshly member." Literally, "flesh," M.

*Eze 23:6

k2Ki 17:19
2Ch 28:23
Ho 12:2nEze 8:10
rJer 50:2
sJer 22:14

t1Sa 18:4

uGe 6:2
Ps 119:37
Pr 6:25
Mt 5:28
2Pe 2:14
vEze 16:29y2Sa 13:14
Eze 16:37zIsa 3:9
Jer 3:2
Eze 16:36*De 32:19
Ps 78:59
Ps 106:40
Jer 6:8
Jer 12:8
La 2:7
Ho 2:2
Am 6:8
Zec 11:8
□Eze 16:25
Am 4:4
ΔEze 16:22
□Eze 20:7

*Eze 16:26

□Eze 23:3

*Isa 10:5
Isa 39:3
Eze 16:37
Hab 1:6
Re 17:16*Eze 23:17
kJer 6:22
Jer 12:9
n2Ki 20:14
Eze 21:19
r2Ki 24:2
Job 1:17
Isa 23:13
Ac 7:4
sJer 50:21
uEze 23:6vJer 47:3
Eze 26:10
Na 2:4
Na 3:2y2Sa 24:14
Jer 39:5
Eze 16:38
Eze 21:23
zJer 34:14
De 29:20
De 32:21
Eze 38:19
Zep 1:18
*Pr 6:34
□Ho 2:4
ΔEze 15:7
Eze 20:47
Re 18:8
□Jer 13:22
Eze 16:39
Ho 2:3
Re 17:16

asses and whose genital organ is as the genital organ of male horses.^{*} ²¹ And you continued calling attention to the loose conduct of your youth by the pressing of your breasts from Egypt onward for the sake^a of the bosoms of your youth.[□]

22 "Therefore, O O.hol'i.bah, this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Here I am rousing up your passionate lovers against you,^{*} those from whom your soul^b has turned away in disgust,^{*} and I will bring them in against you on all sides,^k ²³ the sons of Babylon^c and all the Chal-de'ans,^r Pe'kod^s and Sho'a and Ko'a, all the sons of As.syr'ia with them, desirable young men, governors and deputy rulers all of them, warriors^d and summoned ones, riding on horses, all of them.^u ²⁴ And they must come in against you with rattling^e of war chariots and wheels,^v and with a congregation of peoples, with large shield and buckler and helmet. They will set themselves against you all around, and I will give judgment over to them and they must judge you with their judgments.^y ²⁵ And I will express my ardor against you,^z and they must take action against you in rage.^{*} Your nose and your ears they would remove, and the remainder of you will fall even by the sword. Your sons and your daughters they themselves will take,[□] and the remainder of you will be devoured by the fire.^Δ ²⁶ And they will certainly strip off you your clothing^Δ and take away your beautiful

^a Or, by a slight correction, "through the squeezing." ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma.* ^c "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^d Or, "shield-bearers." See verse 15, footnote b. ^e Or, possibly, "a multitude." The meaning of the Hebrew word here is uncertain.

articles.* ²⁷ And I shall actually cause your loose conduct to cease from you,^a and your prostitution [carried] from the land of Egypt;^a and you will not raise your eyes to them, and Egypt you will remember no more.'

²⁸ "For this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'Here I am giving you into the hand of those whom you have hated, into the hand of those from whom your soul^b has turned away disgusted.* ²⁹ And they must take action against you in hatred^k and take away all your product of toil and leave you naked and nude,^c and the nakedness of your acts of fornication and your loose conduct and your acts of prostitution must be uncovered.ⁿ ³⁰ There will be a doing^d of these things to you because of your going like a prostitute after [the] nations,^e on account of the fact that you defiled yourself with their dungy idols.^s ³¹ In the way of your sister you have walked;^t and I shall have to give her cup into your hand.'^u

³² "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'The cup of your sister you will drink, the deep and wide one.^v You will become an object of laughter and derision, [the cup] containing much.^y ³³ With drunkenness and grief you will be filled,^z with the cup of astonishment and of desolation,^o the cup of your sister Sa-mar'i-a.* ³⁴ And you will have to drink it and drain [it] out,^o and its fragments you will gnaw, and your breasts you will tear out.^a "For I myself have spoken," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.'

* See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psyche*; Vg, *a'nima*. ^c Literally, "nakedness and nudity," M. ^d "There will be a doing." The Hebrew verb here is in the infinitive absolute and hence is impersonal and indefinite as to time.

*Isa 3:18
1Pe 3:3
*Isa 27:9
Eze 16:41
Zec 13:2
*Eze 23:3
Eze 23:19

*Jer 21:7
Jer 34:50
Eze 16:37
kDe 28:50
2Sa 13:15
Eze 16:39

nEze 16:36
Eze 16:37
rPs 106:35
Jer 2:18
Jer 16:11
Jer 22:9
Eze 6:9
sEze 23:7
tJer 3:8
Eze 16:47
u2K1 21:13
Ps 11:6
Jer 7:15
Jer 25:15
Da 9:12
vIsa 51:17
Re 16:19
yDe 28:37
1K1 9:7
Jer 25:9
La 2:15
Eze 22:5
zJer 25:27
Hab 2:16
*Joe 2:3
*Isa 51:22

oPs 75:8
Isa 51:17
aEze 23:3

³⁵ "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that you have forgotten me' and you proceeded to cast me behind your back,^e then you yourself also bear your loose conduct and your acts of prostitution.'¹⁰

*Jer 11:14
*Eze 23:4
kIsa 58:1
*Ho 3:1
nHo 1:2
rEze 16:38
sEze 16:36

tEze 16:21

u2K1 21:4
Eze 8:5
vNe 13:17
Eze 22:8

yLe 20:3
Jer 7:11
Jer 11:15
z2Ch 33:4
Jer 23:1
Eze 44:7

*Isa 57:9
*2K1 20:13
*Ru 3:3
Es 2:12
*2K1 9:30
Jer 4:30
*Pr 7:10
Isa 3:18
Eze 16:13
Es 1:6
Isa 57:7
*Isa 65:11
*Jer 44:17
Eze 16:18
Ho 2:8
kEx 32:6
Ho 13:6
nIsa 28:1

³⁶ And Jehovah went on to say to me: "Son of man, will you judge^x O-ho'lah and O-hol'i-bah^x and tell them their detestable things?^k ³⁷ For they have committed adultery^o and there is blood on their hands,^r and with their dungy idols they have committed adultery.^s And, besides that, their sons whom they had borne to me they made pass through [the fire] to them^a as food.^t ³⁸ What is more, this is what they have done to me: They have defiled my sanctuary in that day,^u and my sabbaths they have profaned.^v ³⁹ And when they had slaughtered their sons to their dungy idols they even proceeded to come into my sanctuary on that day to profane it,^y and, look! that is what they have done in the midst of my house.^z ⁴⁰ And in addition to that, when they began to send to the men^b coming from far away, to whom there was sent a messenger,^e then, look! they came,^o for whom you had washed yourself,^a painted your eyes^o and decked yourself with ornaments.^e ⁴¹ And you sat down upon a glorious couch,^o with a table set in order before it,^e and my incense and my oil you put upon it.^e ⁴² And the sound of a crowd at ease was in her,^k and to the men^b out of the mass of mankind^c there were drunkardsⁿ being brought in from the wilderness, and they proceeded to put bracelets on the hands of the

a "Them." In the masculine gender, to refer to the dungy idols. ^b "Men." M, *a-nu-shim*; the plural number of *ish*. ^c "Mankind." M, *a-dam*.

women^a and beautiful crowns upon their heads.^r ^{rEze 16:11}

43 "And I proceeded to say respecting her who was worn out with adultery, 'Now she will keep on committing her prostitution, even she herself.'^s 44 And they kept on coming in to her, just as one comes in to a woman that is a prostitute; in that manner they came in to O-ho'lah and to O-hol'i-bah as women of loose conduct.^t

45 But as regards righteous men,^b they are the ones that will judge her^c with the judgment for adulteresses^u and with the judgment for female shedders of blood;^v for adulteresses are what they are and there is blood on their hands.^y

46 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah^d has said, 'There will be the bringing up of a congregation against them^z and a making^e of them a frightful object and something to plunder.'^z

47 And the congregation must pelt them with stones,^q and there will be a cutting of them down with their swords. Their sons and their daughters they will kill^a and with fire their houses they will burn.^q 48 And I shall certainly cause loose conduct^t to cease out of the land, and all the women will have to let themselves be corrected, so that they will not do according to YOUR^f loose conduct.^q 49 And they must bring YOUR^f loose conduct upon YOU,^f and the sins of YOUR^f dungy idols YOU^f will bear; and you people will have to know that I am the Lord Jehovah.'^{***}

^a Literally, "on their hands," the pronoun "their" being in the feminine gender. ^b "Men." M, *a.nā.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. ^c "Her." Literally, "them" (masculine), M. "Them" (feminine), LXXVgSy. ^d See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^e "There will be the bringing up . . . a making." The Hebrew verbs here are in the infinitive absolute and hence are impersonal and indefinite as to time. ^f The second-person pronoun is in the feminine gender, plural number.

^sEzr 9:7
^{Ps} 106:6
^{Jer} 13:23

^tEze 23:3
^{Eze} 23:9

^uLe 20:10
^{De} 22:21
^{Eze} 16:38
^vEze 23:37
^y2K1 24:4
^{Ps} 106:38
^{Isa} 1:15
^{Jer} 7:6
^{Ho} 4:2
^{Mic} 3:10
^zJer 25:9
^{Eze} 16:40
^{*Jer} 15:4
^{Jer} 24:9
^{Jer} 34:17
^qLe 20:2
^{De} 22:21
^{Eze} 16:40

^a2Ch 36:17
^{Eze} 24:21
^qDe 13:16
^{Jer} 39:8
^{Jer} 52:13
^{*Jg} 20:6
^{Eze} 22:9

^qDe 13:11
^{Isa} 26:9
^{Eze} 5:15
^{2Pe} 2:6
^{*Isa} 59:18
^{Eze} 16:43
^{*Ps} 9:16
^{Eze} 6:13

24 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me in the ninth year, in the tenth month, on the tenth [day] of the month, saying: ² "Son of man, write down for yourself the name of the day, this selfsame day. The king of Babylon^a has thrown himself against Jerusalem on this selfsame day.ⁿ ³ And compose a proverbial saying concerning the rebellious house,^r and you must say concerning them,

"This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: 'Put the widemouthed cooking pot on; put [it] on, and also pour water into it.'^s ⁴ Gather pieces in it,^t every good piece, thigh and shoulder; fill [it] even with the choicest bones. ⁵ Let there be a taking of the choicest sheep,^v and also stack the logs^b in a circle under it. Boil its pieces,^c also cook its bones in the midst of it.'^{***}

6 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Woe to the city of deeds of bloodshed,^{dz} the widemouthed cooking pot, the rust of which is in it,^{*} and the very rust of which has not gone forth out of it!^q Piece by piece of it, bring it out;^a no lot must be cast over it.^q ⁷ For its very blood has come to be right in the midst of it.⁺ Upon the shining, bare surface of a crag she placed it. She did not pour it out upon the earth, in order to cover it over with dust.^q ⁸ In order to bring up rage for the executing of vengeance,^{*} I have put her blood upon the shining, bare surface of a crag, in order that it may not be covered over.'^{***}

ⁿ2K1 25:1
^{Jer} 39:1
^{Jer} 52:4

^rPs 78:2
^{Eze} 17:12
^{Mic} 2:4
^{Lu} 8:10

^sJer 1:13
^{Eze} 11:3
^tEze 11:7

^vJer 39:6
^{Jer} 52:10
^{Jer} 52:27
^{Eze} 34:16

^yEze 24:10

^z2K1 21:16
^{Eze} 22:3
^{Mic} 7:2
^{Na} 3:1
^{Mt} 23:35
^{*Jer} 1:13
^qJer 6:29
^aEze 11:7
^{Eze} 11:11
^qJoe 3:3
^{Ob} 11
^{Na} 3:10
^{*1K1} 21:19
^{Jer} 2:34
^eLe 17:13
^{De} 12:16
^{Job} 16:18
^{Isa} 26:21
^{*De} 32:25
^{Ps} 94:1
^{Ro} 12:19
^{*Jer} 16:17
^{Eze} 16:37
^{Mt} 7:2

^a "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^b Literally, "bones," M. ^c "Pieces," two Hebrew manuscripts^{Kennicott}; literally, "boilings," M. ^d "Deeds of bloodshed." Literally, "the bloods," M.

a "Without words." Literally, "keep silent," M. b Or, "upper lip."
c "Men." M, *a.nā.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. d "Soul's." M,
neph'esh; LXX, *psy.chai'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. e Or, "Upper lip."

be in the day of my taking away from them their fortress,^v the beautiful object of their exultation, the thing desirable to their eyes^z and the longing of their soul,^a their sons and their daughters,^q that ²⁶in that day there will come to you the escaped one for making the ears hear?^a ²⁷In that day your mouth will be opened to the escaped one^q and you will speak^a and be mute no longer;^q and you will certainly become to them a portent,^x and they will have to know that I am Jehovah."^v

25 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ²"Son of man, set your face toward the sons of Am'mon and prophesy against them.^k ³And you must say concerning the sons of Am'mon, 'Hear the word of the Lord Jehovah. This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "For the reason that you^b have said Aha! against my sanctuary,^o because it has been profaned, and against the soil of Israel, because it has been laid desolate, and against the house of Judah, because they have gone into exile,ⁿ ⁴therefore here I am giving you^b to the Orientals^c as something to possess,^r and they will set up their walled camps in you^b and will certainly put in you^b their tabernacles. They themselves will eat your fruitage and they themselves will drink your milk.^s ⁵And I will make Rab'bah^t a pasture ground of camels and the sons of Am'mon a resting place of a flock;^u and you people will have to know that I am Jehovah."^v ^v

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni.mae*. ^b "You." In the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the country of Am'mon. ^c Literally, "sons of [the] East," M.

vPs 48:13
zEze 24:16
*Ps 122:1
oDe 28:32
Jer 11:22
aIsa 4:13
Job 1:15
Eze 33:21
oPs 51:15
+Lu 21:15
*Eze 3:26
Lu 1:20
*Eze 12:3
*Eze 6:13

kGe 19:38
Jer 49:1
Am 1:13
Zep 2:9

oDa 11:31

nPs 70:3
Pr 17:5
Pr 24:17
Eze 26:2
Mic 7:8
rJg 6:3
1Kl 4:30
Job 1:3

sLe 26:16
De 28:33
Jer 49:2
Jer 49:5
tEze 21:20
u2Sa 12:26
Isa 17:2
Isa 32:14
Zep 2:14
vIsa 37:20
Eze 26:6

⁶ "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that you^a clapped the hands^v and you^a stamped with the feet^z and you^a kept rejoicing with all scorn on your part in [your] soul^b against the soil of Israel,^c ⁷therefore here I am; I have stretched out my hand against you^d and I will give you as something to plunder to the nations; and I will cut you off from the peoples and destroy you from the lands.^e I shall annihilate^f you, and you will have to know that I am Jehovah.'

⁸ "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that Mo'ab^g and Se'ir^h have said: "Look! The house of Judah is like all the other nations,"ⁱ ⁹therefore here I am opening the slope of Mo'ab at the cities,^j at his cities to his frontier, the decoration of [the] land, Beth-jesh'i-moth,^k Ba'al-me'on,ⁿ even to Kir-i-a-tha'im,^r ¹⁰to the Orientals,^{cs} alongside the sons of Am'mon,^t and I will make it something to possess, in order that it may not be remembered,^u [that is,] the sons of Am'mon, among the nations. ¹¹And in Mo'ab I shall execute acts of judgment;^v and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.'

¹² "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that E'dom has acted in taking vengeance upon the house of Judah and they kept doing wrong extensively and avenged themselves on them,^z ¹³therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "I will also stretch out my hand against E'dom^z and cut off from it man^d and domestic animal,^q and I will make

yJob 27:23
Job 34:37
La 2:15
Na 3:19
Zep 2:15
zEze 6:11
*Ne 4:4
Pr 24:17
Eze 35:15
Ob 12
Zep 2:8
oEze 14:9
Eze 35:3
Zep 1:4
*Jer 49:2
Am 1:14
*Ps 145:20
Zep 2:8
2Th 2:8
*Nu 24:17
Ps 83:6
Isa 15:1
Isa 25:10
Jer 25:21
Jer 48:1
oDe 2:4
*Isa 10:9
Isa 36:18
*Nu 16:32
De 11:6
Ps 106:17
kJos 13:20
nNu 32:38
rJos 13:19
Jer 48:23
*Eze 25:4
tPs 83:7
uIsa 23:16
Eze 21:32
vPs 9:16
Ps 149:7
Jer 9:26
Jer 25:21
Jer 48:1
yEze 6:13

z2Ch 28:17
Ps 137:7
La 4:22
Am 1:11
Ob 10
*Mal 1:4
*Jer 7:20

^a The pronoun is in the masculine gender, singular number, to refer to Am'mon. ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*. ^c Literally, "sons of [the] East," M. ^d "Man." M, *a.dam*.

it a devastated place from Te'man,^a even to De'dan.^b By the sword they will fall. ¹⁴ 'And I will bring my vengeance on E'dom by the hand of my people Israel;^c and they must do in E'dom according to my anger and according to my rage; and they will have to know what my vengeance^d is,^e is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

15 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that the Philis'tines have acted with vengeance^f and they kept avenging themselves with a vengeance with scorn in [the] soul,^g in order to cause ruin,^h with an indefinitely lasting enmity,^k ¹⁶ therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Here I am stretching out my hand against the Philis'tinesⁱ and I will cut off the Cher'e-thites^j and destroy the rest of the seacoast.^s ¹⁷ And I will execute in them great acts of vengeance, with raging reproofs;^t and they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I bring my vengeance on them."'"^u

26 And it came about in the eleventh year, on the first [day] of the month, that the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: ² "Son of man, for the reason that Tyre^v has said against Jerusalem,^w 'Aha! She has been broken,^z the doors^b of the peoples!' The trend will certainly be to me. I shall be filled—she has been devastated,^{1a} ³ therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Here I am against you,^d O Tyre, and I will bring up against you many nations,^e just as the sea brings up its waves.^g

⁴ And they will certainly bring the walls of Tyre

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psyche*; Vg, *a'nim* ("mind").
^b "Doors," or, "leaves of a door," M. "Tradeswoman," T.

^aJer 49:7

^bJer 25:23
 Jer 49:8

^cGe 27:29
 Isa 11:14
 Isa 63:1

^dLu 21:22
^eDe 32:35
 Ps 58:10
 Na 1:2
 Heb 10:30
 Re 16:16

^fIsa 14:29
 Joe 3:4

^g2Ch 28:18
 Isa 9:12
 k1Sa 4:1
 1Sa 31:7
 2Sa 5:17
 2Sa 8:1
 nZep 2:4

^rIsa 30:14
 2Sa 15:18
^sJer 47:4
^tEze 5:15

^uPs 9:16
 Eze 6:7

^vJos 19:29

^wAm 1:9
^zEze 25:3
^{1a}La 1:1

^aEze 19:7

^dJer 50:31

^eMic 4:11
^gPs 107:25
 Jer 51:42
 Lu 21:25

^aIsa 23:11
 Am 1:10
^bZec 9:3

ⁿEze 24:7

^rEze 47:10

^sEze 27:32

^tEze 25:7
 Eze 29:19
^uJer 49:2
 Eze 16:46

^vPs 83:18
 Isa 37:20
 Eze 25:5

^yJer 25:9
 Jer 25:22
 Eze 29:18
 zEzr 7:12

¹Jer 52:32
 Da 2:37

²Jer 6:23
³Jer 4:13

⁴Na 2:3
⁵Na 3:3
⁶Eze 23:24

⁷Eze 52:4
⁸2Sa 20:15
 Jer 6:6
 Jer 32:24
 Eze 21:22
⁹2Ch 26:15

¹⁰Jer 47:3

^kEze 27:28
 Na 2:4

ⁿJos 6:20

^rIsa 5:28
 Jer 51:27
 Hab 1:8

to ruin^x and tear down her towers,^y and I will scrape her dust away from her and make her a shining, bare surface of a crag.^{1a} ⁵ A drying yard for dragnets^r is what she will become in the midst of the sea.^{1s}

" "For I myself have spoken," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, "and she must become an object of plunder for the nations.^t ⁶ And her dependent towns^{au} that are in the field—by the sword they will be killed, and people^b will have to know that I am Jehovah."'"^v

7 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Here I am bringing against Tyre Neb-uchad-rez'zar the king of Babylon^c from the north,^y a king of kings,^z with horses^g and war chariots^d and cavalymen^a and a congregation,^h even a multitudinous people. ⁸ Your^d dependent towns^a in the field he will kill even with the sword, and he must make against you^d a siege wallⁱ and throw up against you a siege rampart^g and raise up against you a large shield,⁹ and the strike of his attack engine^e he will make against your walls, and your towers he will pull down, with his sword. ¹⁰ Owing to the heaving mass of his horses their dust will cover you.^h Owing to the sound of cavalryman and wheel and war chariot your walls will rock,^k when he comes in through your gates, as in the cases of entering into a city opened by breaches.ⁿ ¹¹ With the hoofs of his horses he will trample down all your streets.^r Your people he will kill even with the sword, and to the earth your own pillars of

^a "Dependent towns." Literally, "daughters," M. ^b Literally, "they," but in the masculine gender, M. ^c "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^d The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to Tyre.

strength will go down.^{as 12} And they will certainly spoil your resources^t and plunder your sales goods,^u and tear down your walls, and your desirable houses they will pull down.^v And your stones^v and your woodwork^z and your dust they will place in the very midst of the water.¹

13 "And I will cause the turmoil of your singing to cease,^u and the very sound of your harps^o will be heard no more.¹⁴ And I will make you a shining, bare surface of a crag.^a A drying yard for dragnets is what you will become.^d Never will you be rebuilt,¹ for I myself, Jehovah, have spoken,¹ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^o

15 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said to Tyre, 'At the sound of your downfall, when the fatally wounded one groans, when there is a killing with slaughter in the midst of you, will not the islands^c rock?'^{x 16} And down from their thrones^m all the chieftains of the sea will certainly come^u and remove their sleeveless coats,^k and they will strip off their own embroidered garments. They will put on trembling spells.ⁿ Upon the earth they will sit down,¹ and they will certainly tremble every moment^s and stare in amazement at you.^{t 17} And they must raise up over you a dirge^u and say to you:

"How you have perished, that used to be inhabited from the seas,^{dv} O praised city, who became a strong one in the sea,^y she and those inhabiting her, those who gave their terror to all those inhabiting [the earth]!^{ez 18} Now the

^a "Will go down," MVg; "he will bring down," LXXSyT. ^b See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^c Or, "coastlands." ^d "That used to be inhabited from the seas," M. "You who dwell in the sea," Vg; "you who happened to be strong in the sea," Sy. ^e "The earth." Literally, "her," or, "it," in the feminine gender.

Isa 26:5

tMt 6:19

uIsa 23:8

Zec 9:3

vIsa 32:12

yAm 5:11

zNa 2:9

Jer 7:34

Jer 16:9

Ho 2:11

Ge 4:21

Isa 24:8

Eze 26:4

Eze 26:5

De 13:16

Mal 1:4

Isa 14:27

Isa 2:19

Jer 49:21

Eze 31:16

Heb 12:26

mJon 3:6

Isa 14:9

Isa 23:8

kPs 109:29

1Pe 5:5

nEx 15:15

rIsa 3:26

La 2:10

sDa 5:6

tEze 27:35

uJer 7:29

Eze 27:2

vIsa 14:12

Zep 2:15

yJos 19:29

Isa 23:4

zEze 27:3

islands^a will tremble in the day of your downfall. And the islands that are in the sea must be disturbed owing to your going out.¹ "

19 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, 'When I make you a devastated city, like the cities that are actually not inhabited, when [I] bring up over you the surging waters,^c and the vast waters will have covered you,¹ I will also bring you down with those going down into the pit to the people of long ago,^a and I will cause you to dwell in the lowest land,^d like places devastated for a long time, with those going down into the pit,¹ in order that you may not be inhabited, and I will put decoration in the land of those alive.^o

21 "Sudden terrors are what I shall make you,^u and you will not be; and you will be sought for,^u but you will no more be found to time indefinite,^{1k} is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^{1b}

27 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "And as for you, O son of man, raise up concerning Tyre a dirge,^u and you must say to Tyre,

"O you who are dwelling at the entrances of [the] sea,^r the tradeswoman of the peoples for many islands,^{as} this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "O Tyre, you yourself have said, 'I am perfect in beauty.'^{at 4} In the heart of [the] seas are your territories.^u Your own builders have perfected your beauty.^v Out of juniper timbers from Se'nirey^y they built for you all the planks. A cedar from Leb'a-non^z they took to

Isa 23:5

Isa 8:8

Re 17:15

Ps 6:5

Ps 28:1

Ec 9:5

Isa 38:18

De 32:22

Ps 88:6

Eze 32:18

Ps 28:1

Ps 143:7

Lu 10:15

Ps 27:13

Ps 52:5

Isa 38:11

Isa 53:8

Eze 32:23

Eze 32:32

Eze 27:36

Eze 28:19

kJer 37:36

kJer 51:64

Re 18:21

uJer 9:10

Eze 26:17

Am 5:16

rIsa 23:2

Eze 28:2

sIsa 23:8

Re 18:3

tIsa 23:9

Eze 28:12

uEze 26:5

vEze 26:12

yDe 3:9

1Ch 4:23

Ca 4:8

zLk 5:6

Ps 29:5

Ps 92:12

Ps 104:16

Isa 14:8

^a Or, "coastlands." ^b See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^c "The surging waters." M, *t'hōm*; "the abyss." LXXVg. Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote c. ^d Or, "fairness." ^e Identified as Mount Her'mon in Deuteronomy 3:8, 9.

make a mast upon you.^m ^a Out of vigorous trees from Ba'shan* they made your oars. Your prow^a they made with ivory in cypress wood,^b from the islands of Kit'tim.^c ^d Linen in various colors from Egypt^e your cloth expanse happened to be, in order for [it] to become your sail. Coccus scarlet material^f and wool dyed reddish purple^g from the islands of E-li'shah^h are what your deck covering proved to be.

8 " "The inhabitants of Si'don* and of Ar'vad* themselves became rowers for you. Your skilled^c ones,^k O Tyre, happened to be in you; they were your sailors.ⁿ ^o Even old men of Ge'bal^r and her skilled^c ones happened to be in you as calkers for your seams.^{as} All the ships^c of the sea and their mariners themselves proved to be in you, in order to exchange articles of merchandise. ¹⁰ Persians^t and Lu'dim^u and men of Put^v—they happened to be in your military force,^y your men^e of war. Shield and helmet they hung up in you.^z They were the ones that caused your splendor. ¹¹ The sons of Ar'vad,* even your military force, were upon your walls all around, and valorous menⁱ were the ones that happened to be in your own towers. Their circular shields they hung up on your walls all around.^m They themselves perfected your beauty.

12 " "Tar'shish^o was your merchant because of the abundance of all sorts of valuable things.^a For [its] silver, iron, tin and lead, your stores were given.^g ¹³ Ja'van,* Tu'bal* and Me'shech*

^a Or, "boards," collectively. ^b "In cypress wood," in agreement with T. Literally, "the daughter of the Ash'urites." M. ^c Literally, "wise," M. ^d Or, "leaks." ^e "Men." M. ^f *anā-shim*. ^g "Valorous men." Literally, "gam-ma-dim," M; "Pigmaei (pygmies)," Vg. ^h Literally, "they [people] gave your stores," M.

mIsa 33:23

*Isa 2:13
Zec 11:2□Ge 10:4
Nu 24:24
Jer 2:10
ΔIKI 10:23
Pr 7:16
Isa 19:9
□Ex 25:4
*Jer 10:9
□Ge 10:4
1Ch 1:7*Ge 10:15
Jos 11:8
*Ge 10:18
k2Ch 2:14
n1KI 9:27
rJos 13:5
s1KI 5:18
Eze 27:27
□Da 11:40tEze 38:5
Da 5:28
uGe 10:13
Isa 66:19
v1Ch 1:8
Jer 46:9
Na 3:9
yIsa 43:17
z2Ch 9:16
*Ge 10:18mCa 4:4
□Ge 10:4
1KI 10:22
1KI 22:48
Isa 2:16
Jon 1:3
Δ2Ch 20:36
Ps 72:10
□Jer 10:9
*Ge 10:2
Isa 66:19
Da 8:21
□1Ch 1:5
*Eze 32:26
Eze 38:2

themselves were your traders. For the souls^a of mankind^b and articles of copper your articles of exchange were given.^{cm} ¹⁴ From the house of To-gar'mahⁿ there were horses and steeds and mules, [for which] your stores were given.^d ¹⁵ The sons of De'dan^{er} were your traders; many islands^f were merchants in your employ;^g horns of ivory^s and ebony they have paid back as gift^h to you. ¹⁶ E'domⁱ was your merchant because of the abundance of your works. For turquoise,^t wool dyed reddish purple and material of various colors and fine fabric and corals and rubies, your stores were given in exchange.^j

17 " "Judah and the land of Israel themselves were your traders. For the wheat^u of Min'nith^v and special foodstuff^k and honey^y and oil and balsam,^z your articles of exchange were given.^c

18 " "Damascus^q was your merchant in the abundance of your works, because of the abundance of all your valuable things, with the wine of Hel'bon and the wool of reddish gray. ¹⁹ And Dan^a and Ja'van from U'zal—for your stores they gave. Iron in wrought works, cassia^b and cane—for your articles of exchange they proved to be. ²⁰ De'dan^o was your trader in garments of woven material for riding. ²¹ The

*Joe 3:6
Re 18:13
mRe 18:12nGe 10:3
1Ch 1:6
Eze 38:6rGe 10:7
1Ch 1:9
Jer 25:23s1KI 10:22
Re 18:12tEx 28:18
Ex 39:11
Eze 28:13

uDe 8:8

vJg 11:33
yGe 43:11
zJer 8:22*2Ch 2:10
Ezr 3:7
Ac 12:20
□Ge 15:2
1KI 11:24
Isa 7:8
Ac 9:2

ΔJg 18:29

□Ex 30:24
Ps 45:8
*Ca 4:14

□Ge 25:3

^a "Souls." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai'*. ^b M, *a-dam'*. ^c Literally, "they [people] gave your articles of exchange," M. ^d Literally, "they [people] gave your stores," M. ^e "De'dan," MVGT; "the Rhodians," LXX. ^f Or, "coastlands." ^g Literally, "hand," M. ^h Or, "tribute." ⁱ "E'dom," Sy and about 25 Hebrew manuscripts; "A'ram," M; "The Syrian," Vg. ^j Literally, "they [people] gave with your stores," M. ^k "Special foodstuff." Literally, "pan-nag'," M; the meaning of which is not understood, but which is thought to be a kind of food.

Arabs* and all the chieftains of Ke'dar* themselves were merchants in your employ.^a In male lambs and rams and he-goats^k—in them they were your merchants.²² The traders of She'baⁿ and Ra'a-mah^r themselves were your traders; for the finest of all sorts of perfumes and for all sorts of precious stones and gold, your stores were given.^b ²³ Ha'ran^s and Can'neh and E'den,^u the traders of She'ba,^v As'shur^m [and] Chil'mad were your traders.²⁴ They were your traders in gorgeous garments, in wraps of coccois scarlet material and material of various colors and in carpets of two-colored stuff, in ropes twined and solidly made, in your trading center.

²⁵ ““The ships of Tar'shish^v were your caravans for your articles of exchange, so that you get filled and become very glorious in the heart of the open sea.”²

²⁶ ““Into vast waters those rowing you have brought you.* The east wind itself has broken you in the heart of the open sea.”²⁷ Your valuable things and your stores,[^] your articles of exchange,[^] your mariners* and your sailors,^o the calkers of your seams^c and those exchanging your articles of merchandise and all your men^d of war,* who are in you and in all your congregation, who are in the midst of you,—they will fall in the heart of the open sea in the day of your downfall.^m

²⁸ ““At the sound of the outcry of your sailors the open country will rock.”²⁹ And all those handling an oar will certainly go down from their ships,^r mariners, all the sailors of the

1Ki 10:15
Jer 25:24
Ge 25:13
1Ch 1:29
Ca 1:5
Isa 21:16
Isa 60:7
k2Ch 17:11
n1Ki 10:1
2Ch 9:1
Ps 72:10
Isa 60:6
rGe 10:7
1Ch 1:9
sGe 11:31
2Ki 19:12
uAm 1:5
vGe 25:3
Job 6:19
mGe 10:22

y1Ki 10:22
Isa 2:16
Isa 23:14
Isa 60:9

zEze 27:4
Jon 2:3

*Eze 27:8

oPs 48:7
Ac 27:14
Ac 27:41
AEze 27:14
vEze 27:13
vEze 27:9
vEze 27:8
vEze 27:9

#Eze 27:11
Re 18:11

mPr 11:4
Eze 26:14

nEze 26:15

rRe 18:17

sEze 26:16

tIsa 23:1
Eze 26:17
Re 18:9

uIsa 4:12
2Sa 1:2
Ne 9:1

vJob 2:12
La 2:10
Re 18:19

vEs 4:1
Job 2:8
Jer 6:26
Jer 25:34

vIsa 15:2
vIsa 22:12
vIsa 22:4

vEze 26:17
La 2:13
Re 18:18

vEze 26:5
vEze 27:14
vEze 27:16

vEze 27:26
vIsa 23:3

vRe 18:3
Zec 9:3

kEze 26:12

nEze 27:27

vIsa 23:6
Eze 26:15

#Eze 28:17
Eze 32:10

Re 18:9
Re 18:10

u1Ki 9:8
Jer 18:16
Jer 19:8

La 2:15
Zep 2:15

vPs 37:10
Eze 26:14

yJer 25:22

sea; upon the land they will stand.^s ³⁰ And over you they will certainly cause themselves to be heard with their voice and will cry out bitterly.^t And they will bring up dust upon their heads.^u In the ashes they will wallow.^v ³¹ And they will certainly make [themselves] bald with a baldness for you,^v and gird on sackcloth² and weep over you in bitterness of soul,* with bitter wailing. ³² And for you in their lamentation they will certainly lift up a dirge and chant over you,²

““Who is like Tyre,[^] like her that has been brought to silence in the midst of the sea?”³

³³ When your stores[^] went forth from the open sea,^o you satisfied many peoples.* With the abundance of your valuable things and your articles of exchange you made earth's kings rich.* ³⁴ Now you have been broken^a because of the open sea, in the depths of the waters.^k As for your articles of exchange and all your congregation,ⁿ in the midst of you they have fallen. ³⁵ All the inhabitants of the islands^{br}—in amazement they will certainly stare at you, and their kings themselves will have to shudder in horror.^s Faces must become perturbed.^t ³⁶ As for merchants among the peoples, they will certainly whistle over you.^u Sudden terrors are what you must become, and you will be no more to time indefinite.” ” ” ”

28 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² “Son of man, say to the leader of Tyre,^v ‘This is what the Lord Jehovah has said:

““For the reason that your heart has be-

* Literally, “hand,” M. ^b Literally, “they [people] gave your stores,” M. ^c Or, “leaks.” ^d “Men.” M, *a.nā.shim*; the plural number of *ish*.

^a “You have been broken,” three Hebrew versions and LXXVgSy, the verb having the feminine gender termination. ^b Or, “coastlands.”

come haughty,^z and you keep saying, 'I am a god.^a' In the seat of god^b I have seated myself,^q in the heart of the open sea,^a whereas an earthling man^c is what you are,^d and not a god,^a and you keep making your heart like the heart of god^b—^s look! you are wiser than Daniel.^x There are no secrets that have proved a match for you.[#] ⁴ By your wisdom and by your discernment you have made wealth for your own self, and you keep getting gold and silver in your storehouses.^k ⁵ By the abundance of your wisdom,ⁿ by your sales goods,^r you have made your wealth abound,^s and your heart began to be haughty because of your wealth."^t

6 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "For the reason that you make your heart like the heart of god,^{bu} ⁷ therefore here I am bringing upon you strangers,^v the tyrants of [the] nations,^v and they will certainly draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom and profane your beaming splendor.^z ⁸ Down to the pit they will bring you,^{*} and you must die the death of someone slain in the heart of the open sea.^q ⁹ Will you without fail say, 'I am god,^{ba} before the one killing you,^d whereas you are a mere earthling man,^c and not a god,^a in the hand of those profaning you?"

10 "The deaths of uncircumcised ones you will die by the hand of strangers,^e for I myself have spoken,['] is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

11 And the word of Jehovah continued to

^a Or, "a divine one." M, *el*; LXX, *the.os'*; Vg, *de.us*. ^b "God." M, *el.o.him'*; LXX, *the.os'*; Vg, *de.us*. ^c "Earthling man." M, *a-dam'*; LXX, *an'thro.pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*.

zPr 16:18
Isa 2:12
Da 11:36
Ac 12:22
Isa 14:13
2Co 4:4
Php 2:6
Eze 27:4
Ps 144:3
Isa 31:3
2Th 2:4
Da 2:48

[#]Zec 9:2

kDe 8:17
Pr 18:11
Pr 23:4
Ec 9:11
Zec 9:3
nPr 26:12
Zec 9:2
Eze 26:12
sIsa 23:3
Eze 27:12
tDe 8:14
Pr 11:28
Isa 23:8
uEx 9:17
Job 9:4
1Co 10:22
Php 2:6
2Th 2:4
vDa 11:3
Zec 9:13
yDe 28:50
zIsa 23:9
*Job 17:16
Ps 28:1
Pr 1:12
Isa 38:17
Eze 27:26
AEze 28:2
*Ps 82:7
*Isa 31:3

*Isa 31:4
Jer 9:26
Da 7:6
Da 8:7

occur to me, saying: ¹² "Son of man, lift up a dirge concerning the king of Tyre,^x and you must say to him, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said:

" "You are sealing up a pattern,[#] full of wisdom^m and perfect in beauty.ⁿ ¹³ In Eden,^o the garden^{bo} of God,^o you proved to be.^r Every precious stone was your covering,^s ruby, topaz and jasper; chrysolite,^d onyx^t and jade; sapphire, turquoiseⁱ and emerald;^w and of gold was the workmanship of your settings and your sockets in you. In the day of your being created they were made ready. ¹⁴ You are the^e anointed cherub^f that is covering,^u and I have set^g you.^{hv} On the holy mountain of Godⁱ you proved to be.^y In the midst of fiery stones^j you walked about. ¹⁵ You were faultless in your ways from the day of your being created^z until unrighteousness was found in you.*

16 " "Because of the abundance of your sales goods^q they filled the midst of you^k with

*Isa 14:4
Eze 26:17
Eze 27:2
*2Pe 2:6
mPr 21:30
Isa 10:13
Jer 9:23
Zec 9:2
nEze 27:3
*Eze 31:9
oJoe 2:3
rIsa 51:3
sEze 27:16
tGe 2:12
IEze 27:16
wRe 4:3

uAm 1:9
vEx 9:16
yIsa 14:13

z1Ki 5:1

*Joe 3:4

oEze 27:12

^a See Ezekiel 20:39, footnote a. ^b "The garden." M, *gan*; LXX, *ho pa.ra'dei.sos*; Vg, *pa.ra.di'sus*; Sy, *par.di's*. ^c "God." M, *El.o.him'*; LXX, *ho The.os'*; Vg, *De'us*; T, "Jehovah." ^d "Chrysolite," Vg; *tar.shish'*, M. ^e "You are the," MVgT, or, possibly, by other vowel pointing, "With the," in agreement with LXXSyArabic. ^f Literally, "the cherub of an anointing [or, expansion]," M; "the anointed cherub," Sy; "a cherub stretched out [in wings]," Vg; "an anointed king," T. ^g Literally, "given," M. ^h This verse (14a) reads, in LXX: "With the cherub I set you"; Sy, "You happened to be with the anointed cherub that is covering, and I set you"; Vg, "You are the cherub stretched out and protecting, and I set you"; T, "You are the anointed king in the kingdom, and I have given you greatness." ⁱ "God." M, *El.o.him'*; LXX, *ho The.os'*; Vg, *De'us*. ^j "Fiery stones." Literally, "stones of fire," M. ^k "They filled the midst of you," M; "your inner parts were filled," Vg; "you filled your storehouses," LXX; "you filled your own midst," Sy; "your storehouses were filled," T.

violence,^a and you began to sin.^o And I shall put you as profane out of the mountain of God,^a and I shall destroy you,^o O cherub that is covering,^b from the midst of the fiery stones.^c

17 ““Your heart became haughty because of your beauty.^o You brought your wisdom to ruin on account of your beaming splendor.^o Onto the earth I will throw you.^o Before kings I will set you, [for them] to look upon you.^k

18 ““Owing to the abundance of your errors,ⁿ because of the injustice of your sales goods,^r you have profaned^d your sanctuaries.^s And I shall bring forth a fire from the midst of you.^t It is what will certainly devour you.^u And I shall make you ashes upon the earth before the eyes of all those seeing you.^v ¹⁰ As for all those knowing you among the peoples, they will certainly stare in amazement at you.^v Sudden terrors are what you must become, and you will be no more to time indefinite.”’”^z

20 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ²¹ “Son of man, set your face toward Si’don,^o and prophesy against her. ²² And you must say, ‘This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: “Here I am against you,^o O Si’don,^a and I shall certainly be glorified in the midst of you;^o and people will have to know that I am Jehovah when I execute in her acts of judgment^t and I am actually sanctified in her.”’ ²³ And I will send pestilence into her and blood

^a “God.” M, *Elo-him*; LXX, *ho Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^b “I shall destroy you, O cherub that is covering,” M; “I have destroyed you, O protecting cherub,” Vg; “I shall destroy you, O covering cherub,” Sy; “the cherub will lead you away,” LXX. ^c “Fiery stones.” Literally, “stones of fire,” M. ^d “You have profaned,” M Vg Sy; “I have profaned,” LXX^B.

^a Joe 3:3
^o Joe 3:5
Joe 3:6
^b Isa 23:9
Joe 3:8
Ro 16:20

^o Pr 11:2
Pr 16:18
Eze 27:3
Eze 28:7
^k Isa 14:14
Jer 8:9
I Co 2:8
ⁿ Job 40:11
Ps 73:18
Ps 147:6
Isa 14:15
^r Eze 39:11
2 Pe 2:6
Jude 7
^s Eze 28:16
^t Eze 26:12
^u Re 2:9
Re 3:9
t Jg 9:20
u Am 1:10
v Mal 4:3

^v Isa 14:16
Eze 27:35
^z Isa 14:20

^a Isa 23:4
Jer 25:22

^o Eze 26:3
^a Zec 9:2
^o Ex 9:16
Le 10:3
Eze 39:13
^o Ps 9:16
Ps 83:18
^o Eze 20:41
Eze 36:23
Eze 38:23

^a Eze 38:22
^o Jer 25:33
^k Eze 26:6
ⁿ Nu 33:55
Jos 23:13

^r Mic 7:4
2 Co 12:7

^s De 30:3
Ps 106:47
Isa 11:12
Jer 30:18
Ho 1:11
Joe 3:7
^t Isa 5:16
Eze 36:23
^u Jer 23:8
Eze 36:28
^v Ge 28:13
^y Le 25:18
De 12:10
Jer 23:6
Ho 2:18
^z Isa 65:21
Jer 29:5
^o Zep 1:13
^a Jer 31:5
Am 9:14
^o I Ki 4:25
Eze 38:11
^a Jer 30:16
Eze 38:12

into her streets.^x And the slain one must fall in the midst of her by the sword against her on every side;^y and people will have to know that I am Jehovah.^k ²⁴ And no more will there prove to be to the house of Israel a malignant prickleⁿ or a painful thorn out of all those round about them,^r those who are treating them with scorn; and people will have to know that I am the Lord Jehovah.”’

25 ““This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: “When I collect together the house of Israel out from the peoples among whom they have been scattered,^s I will also be sanctified among them in the eyes of the nations.^t And they will certainly dwell upon their soil^u that I gave to my servant, to Jacob.^v ²⁶ And they will actually dwell upon it in security^v and build houses^z and plant vineyards,^o and they must dwell in security^o when I execute acts of judgment upon all those treating them with scorn all round about them;^a and they will have to know that I am Jehovah their God.”’”^b

29 In the tenth year, in the tenth [month], on the twelfth [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: ² “Son of man, set your face against Phar’aoth the king of Egypt^o and prophesy against him and against Egypt in its entirety.^o ³ Speak, and you must say, ‘This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: “Here I am against you, O Phar’aoth, king of Egypt,^o the great sea monster” lying stretched out in the midst of his Nile canals,^m that has said, ‘My Nile River belongs to me, and I—I

^a “The Lord Jehovah.” See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a; 20:39, footnote a. ^b Or, “I, Jehovah, am their God [*Elo-him*].”

have made [it] for myself.^a And I will put hooks^a in your jaws^k and cause the fish of your Nile canals to cling to your scales. And I will bring you up out of the midst of your Nile canals and all the fish of your Nile canals that cling to your very scales.^b And I will abandon you to the wilderness, you and all the fish of your Nile canals.^m Upon the surface of the field you will fall.^r You will not be gathered up nor be collected together. To the wild beasts of the earth and to the flying creatures of the heavens I will give you for food.^s And all the inhabitants of Egypt will have to know that I am Jehovah,^t by reason of their^b proving to be, as a support, a reed to the house of Israel.^u When they took hold of you by the hand,^c you got to be crushed,^v and you caused a split in their entire shoulder.^d And when they supported themselves upon you, you got to be broken,^v and you caused all their hips to wobble.^{ez}

8 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Here I am bringing upon you a sword^e and I will cut off from you earthling man and domestic animal.^f And the land of Egypt must become a desolate waste and a devastated place;^g and they will have to know that I am Jehovah, for the reason that he has said, "To me the Nile River belongs,^h and I myself have made [it].ⁱ Therefore here I am against you and against your Nile canals,^w and I will make the land of Egypt devastated places,

^a Or, "thorns," put through the cheek or nose of animals in order to lead them on a rope. ^b "Their," MT; "your," LXXVgSy. ^c "The hand," Mmargin and many Hebrew manuscripts, Vg; "your hand," M; "their hand," LXXSy. ^d "Shoulder," MVg; "hands," Sy. ^e "Wobble," Sy; "stand," M.

*De 8:17
Isa 10:13
k2K1 19:28
Job 41:1
Isa 37:29
Eze 38:4

mEx 8:5
rJer 16:4
Jer 25:33
Eze 39:5

s1Sa 17:44
Ps 74:14
Jer 7:33
Jer 34:20
Eze 32:4
Eze 39:4
Re 19:18
tEx 9:14
Ex 14:18
Ro 9:17
u2K1 18:21
Isa 30:3
Isa 36:6
vJer 37:5
yPs 118:8
Ps 146:3
Jer 17:5
zPr 25:19
Jer 37:7

*Jer 46:14
Eze 30:4
Ex 12:12
Jer 7:20
Eze 32:10
AJer 43:12
Eze 30:7

lEx 7:20
Pr 16:18
Pr 18:12
Pr 29:23
Eze 29:3
wEx 7:19

*Eze 30:12
Ex 14:2
Jer 44:1
Jer 46:14
*Eze 30:6
*Eze 30:10
Eze 31:12
kEze 32:13
n2Ch 36:21

rJer 25:19
Eze 30:7

sJer 46:19

tEze 30:23

uEze 29:11

vIsa 19:22
Jer 46:26

yGe 10:14
1Ch 1:12
Isa 11:11
Jer 44:1
Eze 30:14
zEze 17:14

*Eze 30:13
Eze 32:2
Da 11:42
Na 3:9

*Isa 20:5
Isa 30:2
Isa 31:1
Isa 36:4
Jer 2:18
Jer 37:5
La 4:17
Ho 7:11
Ps 79:8
Isa 64:9
Jer 14:10

*Jer 25:9
Jer 27:6

dryness, a desolated waste,* from Mig'dol^o to Sy'e'ne^a and to the boundary of E-thi-o'p'ia.^b There will not pass through it the foot of earthling man,^c nor will the foot of domestic animal pass through it,^k and for forty years it will not be inhabited.ⁿ And I will make the land of Egypt a desolate waste in the midst of desolated lands;^r and its own cities will become a desolate waste in the very midst of devastated cities for forty years;^s and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the lands.^t

13 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "At the end of forty years" I shall collect the Egyptians together out of the peoples among whom they will have been scattered,^v and I will bring back the captive group of the Egyptians and I will bring them back to the land of Path'ros,^v to the land of their origin, and there they must become a lowly kingdom.^z Lower than the [other] kingdoms it will become,^z and it will no more lift itself up over the [other] nations,^e and I will make them so few as not to have the [other] nations in subjection.^g And it will no more prove to be the house of Israel's confidence,^h bringing error to remembrance by their turning after them.ⁱ And they will have to know that I am the Lord Jehovah.^j

17 Now it came about in the twenty-seventh year, in the first [month], on the first [day] of the month, that the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: ¹⁸ "Son of man, Nebuchad-rez'zar himself,* the king of Babylon,"

^a Or, "Aswan." M, S^{we'neh}. ^b "E-thi-o'p'ia," Vg; "the E-thi-o'p'ians," LXX; "Cush," MSyT. ^c "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT.

made his military force perform a great service^o against Tyre.^e Every head was one made bald, and every shoulder was one rubbed bare.* But as for wages,^g there proved to be none for him and his military force from Tyre for the service that he had performed against her.

19 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'Here I am giving to Neb-u.chad-rez'zar the king of Babylon^b the land of Egypt,* and he must carry off its wealth and make a big spoil of it^k and do a great deal of plundering of it; and it must become wages for his military force.'

20 "'As his compensationⁿ for service that he did against her I have given him the land of Egypt,^r because they acted for me,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^a

21 "In that day I shall cause a horn to sprout for the house of Israel,^s and to you I shall give occasion to open the mouth in the midst of them;^t and they will have to know that I am Jehovah."

30 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, prophesy, and you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Howl, you people, 'Alas for the day!'"^u ³ for a day is near, yes, a day belonging to Jehovah is near.^v A day of clouds,^y an appointed time of nations it will prove to be.^z ⁴ And a sword will certainly come into Egypt,^{*} and severe pains must occur in E-thi-o'pi-a^c when one falls slain in Egypt and they actually take its wealth and its foundations are actually torn down.^a ⁵ E-thi-o'pi-a^c and Put^o

^a "The Lord Jehovah." See Ezekiel 12: 10, footnote a. ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c "E-thi-o'pi-a," Vg; "Cush," MSyT.

^oMt 5:41
^eEze 26:7
^{*}Eze 26:16
^gZec 8:10

^{*}Jer 43:10
Jer 43:12
Eze 30:10
kEze 32:12

n2Sa 12:6
1Ti 5:4

r2Ki 10:30

s1Sa 2:10
Ps 92:10
Ps 112:9
Ps 132:17
Ps 148:14
Isa 27:6
Jer 23:5
Lu 1:69
tPs 51:15
Eze 3:27
Am 3:7
Lu 21:15
uIsa 13:6
Jer 25:34
vEze 7:7
Joe 2:1
Ob 15
Zep 1:7
2Pe 3:10
yIsa 19:1
Eze 32:7
Joe 2:2
zPs 110:6
Isa 24:21
Joe 3:12
Zec 14:3
*Isa 19:2
uJer 46:9
aIsa 19:16
cNa 3:9

*Jer 25:24
^eJer 44:27

*Job 9:13
Isa 20:5
Isa 31:3

*Ex 14:2
Jer 44:1
Jer 46:14
kEze 29:10

nJer 25:19
Jer 46:19
Eze 29:12
Eze 32:18
rIsa 42:25
La 4:11
Eze 22:31
sIsa 20:3

tJg 18:7
Isa 32:10
Zep 2:15
tTh 5:3
uIsa 19:17
vEze 33:33

yEze 29:19
Eze 32:11
zIsa 49:25
Eze 28:7
Hab 1:7

*Isa 34:3
Jer 25:33
Eze 35:8
qIsa 19:6
Eze 29:3
aIsa 44:27
qJg 2:14
Isa 19:4
*Eze 28:10
Eze 31:12

and Lud and all the mixed company^a and Chub and the sons of the land of the covenant—with them they will fall by the very sword."^a

6 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'The supporters of Egypt must also fall,* and the pride of its strength must come down.'

"'From Mig'dol^{*} to Sy-e'ne^{bk} they will fall in it even by the sword,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah. ⁷ 'They must also be made desolate in the midst of desolated lands, and its own cities will come to be right in the midst of devastated cities.ⁿ ⁸ And they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I set a fire in Egypt and all its helpers are actually broken.^r ⁹ In that day messengers will go forth from before me^s in the ships,^c in order to drive self-confident E-thi-o'pi-a^d into trembling.^t And severe pains must occur among them in the day of Egypt,^u for, look! it must come.^v

10 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^e has said, 'I will also cause the crowd of Egypt to cease by the hand of Neb-u.chad-rez'zar the king of Babylon.^{fy} ¹¹ He and his people with him, the tyrants of [the] nations,^z are being brought in to bring the land to ruin. And they must draw their swords against Egypt and fill the land with the slain.* ¹² And I will make the Nile canals^q dry ground^a and will sell the land into the hand of bad men,^g and I will cause the land and its fullness to be desolated by the hand of strangers.* I myself, Jehovah, have spoken.'

^a "Mixed company," MLXX; "Arabians," Sy. ^b Or, "Aswan." M, S^{we-neh}. ^c "Before me in the ships," M, ("triremes") Vg; "before me, hastening," LXXSy. ^d "E-thi-o'pi-a," Vg; "Cush," MSyT. ^e "The Lord Jehovah." See Ezekiel 12: 10, footnote a. ^f "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," M.

13 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'I will also destroy the dungy idols^b and cause the worthless gods to cease out of Noph,^b and there will no more prove to be a chieftain out of the land of Egypt;^c and I shall certainly put fear in the land of Egypt.^k 14 And I will bring Path'rosⁿ to desolation and set a fire in Zo'an^r and execute acts of judgment in No.^{cs} 15 And I will pour out my rage^f upon Sin,^d the fortress of Egypt, and cut off the crowd of No.^c 16 And I will set a fire in Egypt. Sin^d will without fail be in severe pains,^u and No^c itself will come to be for capture by breaches, and as regards Noph^b—there will be adversaries during the daytime! 17 As for the young men of On^{ev} and Pi-be'seth, by the sword they will fall, and into captivity the [cities] themselves will go. 18 And in Te-haph'ne-hes^v the day will actually grow dark,^z when I break there the yoke bars of Egypt.* And in her the pride of her strength will actually be made to cease.^o As for her, clouds themselves will cover her,^a and into captivity her own dependent towns^f will go.^o 19 And I will execute acts of judgment in Egypt;⁺ and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.' 19^b

20 And it occurred further that in the eleventh year, in the first [month], on the seventh [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: 21 "Son of man, the arm of Phar'aoh the king of Egypt I shall certainly break,* and, look! it will not be bound

^a "The Lord Jehovah." See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a; Ezekiel 14: 6, footnote b. ^b "Noph," M; "Mem'phis," VgSy. ^c "No," MSy; "Alexandria," VgT. ^d "Sin," MSyT; "Pelusium," Vg. ^e Literally, "A'ven," M; "He.li.o'po.lis," LXXVg. ^f Literally, "her daughters," M.

^gJer 43:12
^hEze 20:7
ⁱIsa 19:13
^jJer 2:16
^kJer 44:1
^lJer 46:14
^mEze 29:15
ⁿZec 10:11
^oKisa 19:16
^pJer 46:5
^qnEze 10:14
^r1Ch 11:12
^sIsa 11:11
^tJer 44:1
^uEze 29:14
^vrNu 13:22
^wPs 78:12
^xIsa 19:11
^yIsa 30:4
^zJer 46:25
^{aa}Na 1:6
^{ab}Eze 30:9

^{ac}Vg 41:45
^{ad}Ge 46:20
^{ae}Jer 43:13

^{af}yJer 2:16
^{ag}Jer 43:7
^{ah}zEx 10:21

^{ai}*Isa 9:4

^{aj}Isa 10:24
^{ak}Jer 46:20
^{al}*Isa 19:1

^{am}*Jer 46:19

^{an}*Ps 9:16

^{ao}*Eze 6:13

^{ap}*Ps 10:15
^{aq}Jer 48:25

up at all in order to give [it] healing by putting a bandage on for binding it up,* for it to become strong to take hold of the sword."

22 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'Here I am against Phar'aoh the king of Egypt,^k and I will break his arms,ⁿ the strong one^r and the broken one,^s and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.^t 23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the lands.^u 24 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon^{bv} and give my sword into his hand,^y and I will break the arms of Phar'aoh, and as a deadly wounded one he will certainly do a great deal of groaning before him.^z 25 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon,^b and the very arms of Phar'aoh will fall; and they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I give my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon and he actually extends it out against the land of Egypt.* 26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations^o and disperse them among the lands; and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.' 26^a

31 And it occurred further that in the eleventh year, in the third [month], on the first [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: 2 "Son of man, say to Phar'aoh the king of Egypt and to his crowd,^o

"Whom have you come to resemble in your greatness?" 3 Look! An As-syr'ian,^{cs} a cedar in Leb'a-non,* beautiful in bough,⁺ with a woody

^{ab}Isa 1:6
^{ac}Jer 30:13
^{ad}Jer 46:11
^{ae}Jer 51:8

^{af}kJer 46:25
^{ag}Eze 29:3
^{ah}nPs 37:17
^{ai}rEze 34:16
^{aj}s2Kl 24:7
^{ak}Jer 37:7
^{al}Jer 46:2
^{am}tJer 46:21
^{an}uEze 29:12

^{ao}vJer 27:6
^{ap}Jer 46:25
^{aq}Eze 32:11
^{ar}yDe 32:41
^{as}Ps 17:13
^{at}Isa 10:5
^{au}Zep 2:12
^{av}zJob 24:12
^{aw}Jer 51:52
^{ax}Eze 26:15

^{ay}*Ex 7:5
^{az}Ps 9:16
^{ba}Ps 59:13
^{bb}Eze 29:16
^{bc}Eze 32:15
^{bd}*Eze 29:12
^{be}Dn 11:42
^{bf}*Eze 6:13

^{bg}*Jer 46:2
^{bh}Eze 29:2
^{bi}Eze 29:19
^{bj}Eze 30:10
^{bk}*Isa 14:14
^{bl}*Na 3:18
^{bm}Zeph 2:13
^{bn}*Jg 9:15
^{bo}Isa 37:24
^{bp}Eze 17:3
^{bq}*Isa 10:33

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c "An As-syr'ian," MLXXVgSyT; possibly, "A cypress" ("ash-shur", instead of Ash-shur). Or, possibly, by correction of the text, "I differentiate you as."

thicket offering shadow, and high in stature,^k so that among the clouds^a its treetop proved to be.ⁿ ⁴ Waters were what made it get big;^r surging waters^b themselves caused it to grow high. With their^c streams they were going^d all around its planting place; and their^c channels they^c sent forth to all the trees of the field. ⁵ That is why it grew higher in its stature than all the [other] trees of the field.^s

"And its boughs kept multiplying, and its branches continued getting longer because of much water in its watercourses.^{et} ⁶ On its boughs all the flying creatures of the heavens made their nests, and under its branches all the wild beasts of the field gave birth,^u and in its shade all the populous nations would dwell. ⁷ And it came to be beautiful in its greatness,^v in the length of its foliage, for its root system proved to be over many waters. ⁸ [Other] cedars were no match for it in the garden^f of God.^{gy} As for juniper trees, they bore no resemblance as respects its boughs. And plane trees themselves did not prove to be like it in branches. No [other] tree in the garden^f of God^g resembled it in its beauty.^z ⁹ Beautiful is the way that I made it in the abundance of its foliage,^h and all the [other] trees of Eden^h

^a "Clouds," LXXArab; "branches," M (VgSy). ^b "Surging waters," M, *t'hōm*; LXXVg, "the abyss." See Genesis 1:2, footnote c. ^c Referring to "surging waters," or *t'hōm*, which is here in the feminine gender in M. ^d Literally, "it (he) was going." Evidently referring to the abyss or "surging waters," similar to LXX. ^e "Watercourses," by a correction of M; literally, "by its sending forth," M. ^f "Garden," M, *gan*; LXXVgSy, "paradise." ^g "God," M, *El-o-him*; LXX, *ho The-os*; Vg, *De-us*. ^h Or, "pleasantness," in agreement with LXXVg. Compare Genesis 2:8, footnote d.

kDa 4:10

nEze 17:22
rJer 51:36
Eze 17:5
Re 17:15sPs 37:35
Isa 10:8
Isa 36:4
Isa 37:11

tDa 4:12

uEze 17:23
Da 4:21
Mt 13:32
vDa 4:22yGe 2:8
Ge 2:15
Ge 13:10
Ps 80:10
Isa 51:3
Da 28:13
zPs 37:35
Isa 10:5
Isa 36:4
Isa 37:11
*Ex 9:16
Ps 75:7
Eze 16:14
Da 2:21
Da 4:20
*Eze 38:35

that were in the garden^a of The [true] God^b kept envying it.^o

10 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'For the reason that you^c became high in stature, so that it put its treetop even among the clouds^d and its heart became exalted because of its height,^e ¹¹ I shall also give it into the hand of the despot of [the] nations.* Without fail he will act against it.* According to its wickedness I will drive it out.* ¹² And strangers, the tyrants of [the] nations,* will cut it down, and people will abandon it upon the mountains;^k and in all the valleys its foliage will certainly fall, and its branches will be broken among all the stream beds of the earth.ⁿ And out from its shade all the peoples of the earth will come down and abandon it.^r ¹³ Upon its fallen trunk all the flying creatures of the heavens will reside, and upon its branches there will certainly come to be all the wild beasts of the field;^s ¹⁴ to the end that none of the watered trees may become high in their stature,^t or put their treetops even among the clouds,^u and that none drinking water may stand up against them in their height, for they will certainly all of them be given to death,^v to the land down below,^v in the midst of the sons of mankind,^e to those going down into the pit.'

15 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^f has said, 'On the day of its going down to She'ol^g I shall certainly cause a mourning.^z On its account I

*Jg 9:8
*Isa 18:15
Ps 96:12

*Mt 23:12

*2Ch 25:19
*2Ch 32:25Isa 14:14
Jer 50:31
Eze 28:17
Da 4:30
Jas 4:6
Jer 25:9
*Jg 1:7
De 18:12
Na 3:18
*Eze 28:7
kNa 3:17

nEze 32:5

tDa 4:14

*Isa 18:6
Eze 29:5
Eze 32:4
Re 19:18
Da 4:32
2Pe 2:6
*Isa 14:14vPs 82:7
*Nu 16:30
Ps 63:9
Eze 14:9
Eze 32:18

*Am 9:2

zNa 2:10
Re 18:9

^a "Garden." M, *gan*; LXXVgSy, "paradise." ^b "The [true] God." M, *ha-El-o-him*. Compare 1 Samuel 4:4, footnote i. ^c "You," MLXXT; "it," VgSy. ^d "Clouds," LXXArab; "branches," M. ^e Or, "men." M, *a-dam*. ^f See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^g "She'ol." M, *sh'ol*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *in'feri*.

will cover the surging waters,^a that I may hold back their streams and the many waters may be restrained; and on its account I shall darken Leb'a-non, and on its account all the trees of the field themselves will swoon away.¹⁶ At the sound of its downfall I shall certainly cause nations to rock^{*} when I bring it down to She'ol^b with those going down into the pit,^c and in the land down below all the trees of E'den,^d the choicest and the best of Leb'a-non, all those drinking water, will be comforted.^e ¹⁷ With him they themselves also have gone down to She'ol,^d to those slain by the sword, and those who as his seed^e have dwelt in his shadow in the midst of nations.^f

18 "Whom have you come to resemble thus in glory^g and greatness among the trees of E'den?^h But you will certainly be brought down with the trees of E'denⁱ to the land down below. In the midst of the uncircumcised ones you will lie down with those slain by the sword.^k This is Phar'aoh and all his crowd,^l is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^m"

32 And it occurred further that in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, on the first [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: ² "Son of man, lift up a dirgeⁿ concerning Phar'aoh the king of Egypt, and you must say to him, 'As a maned young lion of nations you have been silenced.'^o

"And you have been like the marine mon-

^a See verse 4, footnote b. ^b "She'ol." M, *sh'ol*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *infer'nus*. ^c See verse 9, footnote h. ^d The grave. M, *sh'ol*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *infer'nus*. ^e "Seed"; by a correction of M in agreement with LXXSy; literally, "arm," MVg. ^f Or, "pleasantness," in agreement with LXXVg. ^g See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

*Eze 26:15
Hag 2:6
Heb 12:26
Isa 14:15
Eze 32:18
Isa 14:8
Eze 31:9
Eze 32:31
Ps 9:17
Isa 14:9
Eze 32:21

La 4:20
Eze 30:6
Eze 32:31
Da 4:12
Eze 31:2
Eze 32:19
Eze 31:9

Isa 17:26
2Sa 1:20
Jer 9:25
Eze 28:10
Eze 32:10
nEze 39:11

rEze 27:2

Pr 28:15
Eze 19:6

Ps 74:13
Isa 27:1
Isa 51:9
uEze 34:18

ster in the seas,^t and you kept gushing in your rivers^a and kept muddying the waters with your feet and fouling their rivers.^u

3 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'I will also spread over you my net by means of a congregation of many peoples, and they^b will certainly bring you in my dragnet.'^v And I must abandon you on the land. Upon the surface of the field I shall hurl you.^w And on you I will cause all the flying creatures of the heavens to reside, and off you I will satisfy the wild beasts of the whole earth.^x ⁵ And I will put your flesh upon the mountains^y and fill the valleys with the refuse^z of you. ⁶ And I will cause [the] land to drink up your discharged matter, from your blood,^a upon the mountains; and stream beds themselves will be filled up from you.'

7 "And when you get extinguished^a I will cover [the] heavens and darken their stars. As for [the] sun, with clouds I shall cover it, and [the] moon itself will not let its light shine.^b ⁸ All the luminaries^c of light in the heavens^d—I shall darken them on your account, and I will put darkness upon your land,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^d

9 "And I will grieve the heart of many peoples^e when I bring the captives^f from you among the nations to lands that you have not known.^g ¹⁰ And at you I shall certainly cause many peoples to be awe-struck,^h and their kings themselves will shudder in horror at you when I

vEc 9:12
La 1:13
Eze 12:13
Eze 17:20
Ho 7:12
yIsa 17:44
Isa 14:19
Jer 8:2
Jer 25:33
Eze 29:5
zPs 63:10
Ps 79:2
Isa 18:6
*Eze 31:12

Isa 34:7
Re 14:20

Job 18:6

Isa 13:10
Joe 2:31
Am 8:9
Mt 24:29
Re 6:12
Jer 1:14
Ps 74:16

Mt 24:21
Re 11:18

Jer 25:15
Eze 29:12
Eze 30:23
Eze 30:26
Isa 1:14
Eze 27:35

^a Or, possibly, by a slight correction, "during your snortings"; or, "through your nostrils." ^b "They," MSy; "I," LXXVg. ^c "Refuse," M; "blood," LXX; "corrupted blood," Vg; "maggots," Sy. ^d See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^e "Captive ones," LXX; "breakdown [or, broken parts]," MSy.

brandish my sword in their faces,^k and they will have to tremble every moment, each one for his own soul,^a on the day of your downfall.ⁿ

11 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, "The very sword of the king of Babylon will come upon you.^r ¹² I shall cause your crowd to fall by the very swords of mighty ones, the tyrants of [the] nations, all of them;^s and they will actually despoil the pride of Egypt, and all her crowd must be annihilated.^t ¹³ And I will destroy all her domestic animals from beside many waters,^u and the foot of earthling man will no more muddy them, nor will even the hoofs of a domestic animal muddy them.^v

14 "At that time I shall make their waters clear up, and their rivers I shall make go just like oil,^w is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

15 "When I make the land of Egypt a desolate waste and the land is desolated of its fullness,^y when I strike down all the inhabitants in it, then they will have to know that I am Jehovah.^z

16 "This is a dirge, and people will certainly chant it. Even the daughters of the nations will chant it; over Egypt and over all its crowd they will chant it,^{aa} is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^{bb}

17 And it occurred further that in the twelfth year,^c on the fifteenth [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred to me, saying: ¹⁸ "Son of man, lament over the crowd of Egypt^d and bring it down,^e her and the daughters of majestic nations, to the land down below,^f with those going down into [the] pit.^g

^a "Soul." M, *naph'esh*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^b See Ezekiel 12: 10, footnote a.

^c "In the first month," added by LXX; but missing from M^vgSyT.

kDe 32:41

nEx 15:14
Jer 51:9
Eze 26:16

rJer 43:10
Jer 46:26
Eze 30:24

sDe 28:49
Eze 30:11
Eze 31:11
Hab 1:6
tEze 29:19

uEze 29:8
Eze 30:12

vEze 29:11
Eze 34:18

yPs 24:1
Ps 107:34
Eze 29:12
Eze 29:19

zEx 7:5
Ex 14:4
Ps 9:16
Ps 83:18

Eze 6:13
Eze 30:26
*2Sa 1:17
2Sa 3:33
2Ch 35:25

Jer 9:17
Eze 26:17
Eze 27:32

□Eze 21:6
Mic 1:8
AJer 1:10
Eze 26:20

Eze 43:3
Nu 16:30
Ps 63:9
Isa 14:9

Eze 31:14
Ps 30:9
Ps 63:9
Isa 14:15

19 "Compared with whom are you more pleasant?^h Do go down,ⁱ and you must be laid with the uncircumcised ones!^{jj}

20 "In the midst of those slain by the sword they will fall.^k [To] a sword she has been given. Drag her away and all her crowds, you men.ⁿ

21 "The foremost men of the mighty ones will speak out of the midst of She'ol^a even to him, with his helpers.^r They will certainly go down;^s they must lie down as the uncircumcised, slain by the sword. ²² There is where As-syr'ia and all her congregation are.^t His burial places are round about him. All of them are slain, those falling by the sword.^u ²³ For her burial places have been put in the innermost parts of a pit,^v and her congregation will prove to be round about her grave,^w all of them slain, falling by the sword, because they had caused terror^y in the land of those alive.^z

24 "There are E'lam^{aa} and all her crowd round about her grave, all of them slain ones, those falling by the sword, who have gone down uncircumcised to the land down below, those who have caused their terror in the land of those alive; and they will bear their humiliation with those going down into [the] pit.^{ab} ²⁵ In the midst of slain ones they have set a bed for her among all her crowd.^{ac} Her burial places are round about it. All of them are uncircumcised, slain by the sword,^{ad} because their terror was caused in the land of those alive; and they will bear their humiliation with those going down into [the] pit.^{ae} In the midst of slain ones he^b has been put.

hEze 31:2
Isa 14:11
*Isa 17:26
Jer 9:25
Eze 28:10

kEze 29:8
nJer 22:19

rIsa 14:9
sPs 9:17
Ps 55:15
Pr 14:32

tNu 24:24
Ps 83:8
Eze 31:3
uIsa 37:36

vIsa 14:15
wMt 23:29

yIsa 14:16
zJob 28:13
Ps 27:13
Ps 142:5
Isa 38:11
Jer 11:19

*Ge 10:22
Jer 25:25

aaJer 3:25
Eze 16:52
Eze 34:29

abEze 36:6
Eze 39:26
Hab 2:16

acPs 139:8
ad2Sa 1:20
Ich 10:4
Eze 44:7

aeLu 12:5

^a "She'ol." MT, *sh'ol*; Vg, *in-fer'nus*. ^b Or, "it," M; "they," VgSyT.

26 "There is where Me'shech^a [and] Tu'bal^a and all her crowd are. Her burial places are round about him. All of them are uncircumcised, pierced through by the sword, because they have caused their terror in the land of those alive.²⁷ And will they not^a lie down with mighty ones,^a falling from among the uncircumcised, who have gone down to She'ol^b with their weapons^k of war? And they will put their swords under their heads, and their errors will come to be upon their bones,ⁿ because mighty ones were a terror in the land of those alive.^r ²⁸ And as for you,^c in the midst of uncircumcised ones you will be broken, and you will lie down with those slain by the sword.^s

29 "There is where E'dom,^t her kings and all her chieftains are, who, in their mightiness, were put with those slain by the sword;^u they themselves will lie down even with the uncircumcised ones and with those going down into [the] pit.

30 "There is where the dukes of the north are,^y all of them, and all the Si-do'ni-ans,^z who have gone down with the slain ones, in their terribleness because of their mightiness, ashamed. And they will lie down uncircumcised with those slain by the sword and will bear their humiliation with those going down into [the] pit.^{*}

31 "These are the ones that Phar'aoh will see, and he will certainly be comforted over all his crowd.^o Phar'aoh and all his military force will be people slain by the sword,['] is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^d

^a Or, "And they will not." ^b "She'ol." M, *sh'ol*; LXX, *Ha'idēs*; Vg, *in-fer-nus*. ^c "You." In the masculine gender, singular number. ^d See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

^aGe 10:2
Eze 27:13
Eze 38:2
1Ch 1:5
Eze 39:1

^aJob 3:14
Isa 14:18

kEze 39:10

nPs 49:14
Ps 92:9
Pr 14:32
Joh 8:24
rEze 32:23

sIsa 14:19

tGe 25:30
Ge 36:1
Isa 34:5
Jer 49:7
Eze 25:12
Am 1:11
Ob 1
Mal 1:4
uJer 25:31

yJer 1:14
Eze 38:6
zGe 10:15
Jer 25:22
Eze 28:21

*Eze 32:24

oLa 2:13
Eze 14:22
Eze 31:16

32 "For he has^a caused his terror^b in the land of those alive,^a and he must be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised ones, with those slain by the sword, even Phar'aoh and all his crowd,['] is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^c

33 And the word of Jehovah proceeded to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, speak to the sons of your people,^d and you must say to them,

"As regards a land, in case I bring upon it a sword^e and the people of the land,^d one and all, actually take a man^e and set him as their watchman,^f ³ and he actually sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the trumpet^g and warns the people,^h ⁴ and the hearer actually hears the sound of the trumpet^g but he takes no warning at all,^k and a sword comes and takes him away, his own blood will come to be upon his own head.ⁿ ⁵ The sound of the trumpet^g he heard but he took no warning.^r His own blood will come to be upon his own self. And had he himself taken warning, his own soul^h would have escaped.^s

6 "Now as regards the watchman,^t in case he sees the sword coming and he actually does not blow the trumpet^g and the people itself gets no warning at all and a sword comes and takes away from them soul,^h for its own error it itself must be taken away,^u but its blood I shall ask

^a "He has," by a slight correction in agreement with the object of the verb; "I have." MLXXVgSy. ^b "His terror," MLXXSy; "my terror," MmarginVg. ^c See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^d "The people of the land." M, 'am ha-ar'ets. See 2 Kings 11:14. Not yet used as an expression of contempt. Compare John 7:47-49. ^e Or, "and the people of the land actually take a man [ish], one from their borders." ^f Or, "lookout." M, *tso-pheh*. ^g Or, "sho'phar." ^h "Soul," or, "life." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psyche*; Vg, *a'nima*.

^aEze 32:27

^cEze 3:11

^eLe 26:25
Jer 12:12
Jer 15:2
Jer 25:31
Jer 47:6
Eze 6:3
Eze 11:8
Eze 14:17
Eze 21:9
2Sa 18:24
2Ki 9:17
Isa 21:8
Jer 51:12
Ho 9:8
Ne 4:18
Isa 58:1
Jer 4:5
Jer 51:27
Ho 8:1
1Co 14:8
2Ch 25:16
Jer 6:17
Jas 1:22
Le 20:9
2Sa 1:16
1Ki 2:37
Eze 18:13
Ac 18:6
Ac 20:26
rPs 95:7
2Ki 6:10
Heb 11:7
tIsa 56:10

uEze 18:24

back from the hand of the watchman^a himself.^v

7 "Now as regards you, O son of man, a watchman^a is what I have made you to the house of Israel,^v and at my mouth you must hear [the] word and give them warning from me.^z "When I say to someone wicked, 'O wicked one,' you will positively die!"^v but you actually do not speak out to warn the wicked one from his way,^a he himself as a wicked one will die in his own error,^o but his blood I shall ask back at your own hand.^v "But as regards you, in case you actually warn someone wicked from his way [for him] to turn back from it^o but he actually does not turn back from his way, he himself will die in his own error," whereas you yourself will certainly deliver your own soul.^b

10 "Now as regards you, O son of man, say to the house of Israel, 'Thus you people have said: "Because our transgressions and our sins are upon us and in them we are rotting away,"^k how, then, shall we keep living?"ⁿ "11 Say to them, "'As I am alive," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, "I take delight, not in the death of the wicked one,^r but in that someone wicked turns back from his way and actually keeps living. Turn back, turn back from YOUR bad ways,^a for why is it that you should die, O house of Israel?"^v

12 "And as for you, O son of man, say to the sons of your people, 'The righteousness of the righteous one will not itself deliver him in the day of his transgression.^u But as regards the wickedness of the wicked one, he will not be made to stumble by it in the day of his turning back from

^a Or, "lookout." M, *tsophet*. ^b See verse 5, footnote h.

vGe 9:5
Ge 42:22
2Sa 4:11

yIsa 62:6
Jer 31:6
Eze 3:17
Hab 2:1
Heb 13:17
zCh 19:10
Jer 1:17

*Ec 8:13
Isa 3:11
Eze 18:4
*Eze 13:9
*Nu 27:3

*Ac 20:26

*Eze 3:19

*Pr 15:10
Ac 13:46
Heb 12:25
*Ac 18:6

kLe 26:39
Eze 24:23
nEze 37:11

r2Sa 14:14
La 3:33
Eze 18:23
Eze 18:32
Lu 15:32
1Ti 2:4

*Pr 1:23
Isa 55:7
Jer 3:22
Eze 14:6
Ho 14:1
Ac 3:19
tEze 18:31

uEze 3:20
Eze 18:24

v1Ki 8:48
2Ch 7:14
Eze 18:21
Eze 18:27
yEze 18:26

zEze 3:20
Eze 18:24
Lu 18:9
Heb 10:38
2Pe 2:20

*Eze 18:4
Eze 18:24
Isa 3:11
Jer 18:7

Eze 3:18
Lu 13:3
*Pr 28:13
Isa 55:7

Ho 14:1
Ac 3:19
*Eze 18:21
Mic 6:8

Mt 9:13
*Ex 22:26
Eze 18:7
*Ge 26:5

Le 6:2
Eze 22:29
Le 18:5

*Eze 18:27
kIsa 1:18
Eze 18:22

nEze 20:11

rJob 40:8
Eze 18:25
Ro 3:4

sEze 18:26
Heb 10:38
2Pe 2:20

tEze 18:27

his wickedness.^v Nor will even anyone having righteousness be able to keep living because of it in the day of his sinning.^v ¹³ When I say to the righteous one: "You will positively keep living," and he himself actually trusts in his own righteousness and does injustice,^z all his own righteous acts will not be remembered, but for his injustice that he has done—for this he will die.^v

14 "And when I say to the wicked one: "You will positively die,"^v and he actually turns back from his sin^a and carries on justice and righteousness,^o ¹⁵ [and] the wicked one returns the very thing pledged,^v pays back the very things taken by robbery,^o [and] actually walks in the very statutes^o of life by not doing injustice,^v he will positively keep living.^v He will not die. ¹⁶ None of his sins with which he has sinned will be remembered against him.^k Justice and righteousness are what he has carried on. He will positively keep living.ⁿ

17 "And the sons of your people have said, 'The way of Jehovah^a is not adjusted right,' but, as for them, it is their way that is not adjusted right.^r

18 "When someone righteous turns back from his righteousness and actually does injustice, he must also die for them.^a ¹⁹ And when someone wicked turns back from his wickedness and actually carries on justice and righteousness, it will be on account of them that he himself will keep living.^t

^a "Jehovah," nine Hebrew manuscripts and SyT and the Complutensian Polyglott; *A.do.nay*' ("The Sovereign Lord"), M; "the Lord," LXX; *Do'mi.nus*, Vg. This is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim say they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay*' instead of *Y'hoh.wah*'.

20 "And you people have said, 'The way of Jehovah^a is not adjusted right.'^u It will be each one according to his ways that I shall judge YOU, O house of Israel."^v

21 At length it came about in the twelfth year, in the tenth [month], on the fifth day of the month of our exile,^v that there came to me the escaped one from Jerusalem,^z saying: "The city has been struck down!"^w

22 Now the very hand of Jehovah had come to be upon me in the evening before the coming of the escaped one,^z and He proceeded to open my mouth prior to [that one's] coming to me in the morning, and my mouth was opened and I proved to be speechless no longer.⁴

23 And the word of Jehovah began to occur to me, saying: ²⁴ "Son of man, the inhabitants of these devastated places^o are saying even concerning the soil of Israel, 'Abraham^o happened to be just one and yet he took possession of the land.' And we are many; to us the land has been given as something to possess."^o

25 "Therefore say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said: "With^c the blood you keep eating,^x and YOUR eyes you keep lifting to YOUR dungy idols,^z and blood you keep pouring out.^k So should you possess the land?"ⁿ ²⁶ YOU have depended^d upon YOUR sword.^r You^e have done a detestable thing,^s and you have defiled

uPr 19:3
Eze 18:29

vPs 62:12
Eze 18:30
Mt 16:27
Ro 14:4

yEze 1:2
zEze 24:26

*2Kl 25:4
2Ch 36:17
Jer 39:2
Jer 52:7

oEze 1:3
Eze 3:22

4Eze 3:26
Eze 24:27

oJer 39:10
Eze 36:4
oMlc 7:20

*Isa 51:2
Ac 7:5
oMlc 3:11
Mt 3:9

Joh 8:39
Ge 9:4
Le 17:12
De 12:16

Isa 14:32
Ac 15:29
*Eze 18:6
kEze 22:8

nJer 7:10
rMlc 2:1
*Le 18:26
1Kl 11:5
1Pe 4:3

^a "Jehovah," LXXVgSyT and six Hebrew manuscripts; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^c Literally, "Upon." ^d Literally, "stood." ^e "You," in the masculine gender, plural number, in 18 Hebrew manuscripts, also SyT; in the feminine gender, plural number, in M.

tJer 5:8
uJos 23:15

each one the wife of his companion.^t So should you possess the land?"^u

vJer 15:2
Jer 42:22
Eze 5:12

yEze 39:4
Re 19:18
zJg 6:2
1Sa 13:6

*2Ch 36:21
Isa 6:11
Jer 9:11
Eze 36:34
Mlc 7:13

oEze 24:21
Eze 30:6
Eze 6:3
Eze 36:4

oPs 9:16
Eze 6:13

*2Kl 17:9
2Ch 36:14
Jer 5:1

oJer 11:19
Jer 18:18

*Isa 29:13
Isa 58:2
Jer 23:35
Mt 15:3

*Eze 8:1
Eze 20:1

kJer 6:16
Jer 44:17
Lu 6:49

nMt 6:24
Eph 5:5

27 "This is what you should say to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: "As I am alive, surely the ones who are in the devastated places will fall by the sword itself;^v and the one who is upon the surface of the field, to the wild beast I shall certainly give him for food;^y and those who are in the strong places and in the caves^z will die by the pestilence itself. ²⁸ And I shall actually make the land a desolate waste,^x even a desolation, and the pride of its strength must be made to cease^z and the mountains of Israel must be laid desolate,^a with no one passing through. ²⁹ And they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I make the land a desolate waste,^o even a desolation, on account of all their detestable things that they have done."^u

30 "And as for you, O son of man, the sons of your people are speaking with one another about you beside the walls and in the entrances of the houses,^o and one has spoken with the other, each one with his brother, saying, 'COME, please, and HEAR what the word is that is going forth from Jehovah.'^u ³¹ And they will come in to you, like the coming in of people, and sit before you as my people;^z and they will certainly hear your words but these they will not do,^k for with their mouth they are expressing lustful desires [and] after their unjust gain is where their heart is going.ⁿ ³² And, look! you

^a "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay'* *Y'ho.wah'*; Vg, *Do'minus Deus*; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; T, "Jehovah God"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*.

are to them like a song of sensuous loves, like one with a beautiful voice and playing a stringed instrument well." And they will certainly hear your words, but there are none doing them.^a

³³ And when it comes true—look! it must come true—they will also have to know that a prophet himself had proved to be in the midst of them."^t

34 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds^c of Israel.^u Prophesy, and you must say to them, to the shepherds, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: "Woe to the shepherds of Israel,^v who have become feeders^b of themselves!^m Is it not the flock^e that the shepherds ought to feed?^y ³ The fat is what you eat,^z and with the wool you clothe your own selves. The plump animal is what you slaughter.* The flock^e itself you do not feed. ⁴ The sickened ones you have not strengthened,^q and the ailing one you have not healed, and the broken one you have not bandaged, and the dispersed one you have not brought back, and the lost^d one you have not sought to find,^a but with harshness you have had them in subjection, even with tyranny.^o

⁵ And they were gradually scattered because of there being no shepherd,^r so that they became food for every wild beast of the field, and they continued to be scattered.^s ⁶ My sheep^e kept straying on all the mountains and on every high hill;³ and on all the surface of the earth

rMr 4:16
Mr 6:20
Joh 5:35
aJas 1:22

t2Kl 5:8
Eze 2:5

oMic 5:5
uJer 2:8
Joh 10:12

vJer 23:1
Mic 3:1
Mic 3:11
Zep 3:3
Mt 23:13
mJude 12
yPs 78:71
Isa 40:11
Joh 21:15
zIsa 56:11
Zec 11:5
*2Kl 21:16
Jer 22:17
Mic 3:3
oIsa 56:10
Zec 11:16
Mt 9:36

aMt 10:6
Lu 15:4
oJer 22:13
Mt 21:35
1Pe 5:3

*1Kl 22:17
2Ch 18:16
Jer 23:2
Jer 50:6
Mt 9:36
oIsa 56:9

*Eze 7:16
Heb 11:38

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^b Or, "shepherders." ^c Or, "sheep." ^d M, tsōn. ^e Literally, "perishing." ^f M. ^g Or, "flock." ^h M, tsōn.

*Ps 23:1

my sheep^a were scattered, with no one making a search and with no one seeking to find.

⁷ "Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of Jehovah, ⁸ "As I am alive," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^b "surely for the reason that my sheep^a became something for plunder and my sheep^a continued to be food for every wild beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, and my shepherds did not search for my sheep,^a but the shepherds kept feeding themselves,^k and my own sheep^a they did not feed," ⁹ therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of Jehovah. ¹⁰ This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, 'Here I am against the shepherds,' and I shall certainly ask back my sheep from their hand^r and make them cease from feeding^c [my] sheep,^{as} and the shepherds will no longer feed themselves;^t and I will deliver my sheep out of their mouth, and they will not become food for them.' ¹¹ ^u

¹¹ "For this is what the Lord Jehovah has said: 'Here I am myself, and I will search for my sheep^a and care for them.'^v ¹² With the care of one feeding his drove^y in the day of his coming to be in the midst of his sheep^a that have been spread abroad,^m that is the way that I shall care for my sheep;^a and I will deliver them out of all the places to which they have been scattered in the day of clouds and thick gloom.^z ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and collect them together from the lands and bring them in onto their soil³ and feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the stream beds and

hAc 20:33
1Co 9:15
2Pe 2:13
Jude 12

nJer 21:13
Jer 50:31
Eze 5:8
Eze 13:8
Eze 21:3
Zec 10:3
1Pe 3:12
rIsa 56:10
uJer 52:24
1Isa 2:29
oPs 72:12

vPs 23:2
Ps 80:1
Isa 40:11
Isa 56:8
Jer 23:3
yIsa 17:34
mIsa 40:11

zEze 30:3
Joe 2:2
Zep 1:15

*Ps 106:47
Isa 65:9
Jer 23:3
Jer 30:3
Eze 11:17
Am 9:14

^a Or, "flock." ^b M, tsōn. ^c See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^d Or, "shepherding."

by all the dwelling places of the land.^a ¹⁴ In a good pasturage I shall feed them, and on Israel's high mountains their abiding place will come to be.^a There they will lie down in a good abiding place,^b and on a fat pasturage they will feed upon the mountains of Israel."

¹⁵ "I myself shall feed my sheep^a and I myself shall make them lie down,"^b is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^b ¹⁶ "The lost^c one I shall search for,^{*} and the dispersed one I shall bring back, and the broken one I shall bandage and the ailing one I shall strengthen, but the fat one^e and the strong one I shall annihilate. I shall feed that one^d with judgment."^{en}

¹⁷ "And as for YOU my sheep,^a this is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said: "Here I am judging between a sheep^c and a sheep,^c between the rams and the he-goats.^r ¹⁸ Is it such a little thing^s for YOU men that on the very best pasturage^s YOU feed^t but the rest of YOUR pasturages YOU should trample down with YOUR feet, and that the clear^h waters YOU drink but the ones left over YOU should foul by stamping with YOUR very feet?^u ¹⁹ And as for my sheep,^a on the pasture ground trampled by YOUR feet should they feed and the water befouled by the stamping of YOUR feet should they drink?"^v

²⁰ "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said to them: "Here I am myself, and I shall certainly judge between a plump sheepⁱ and a lean sheep,^{iv} ²¹ for the reason that with

Mic 7:14

APs 23:2
Isa 25:6
Isa 30:23
Jer 31:12
Jer 33:12

*Ps 23:1
Jer 3:15
Zep 3:13

*Mic 4:6
Mt 15:24

*De 32:15
Isa 10:16
Isa 49:26
Jer 9:15

rEze 20:38
Zec 10:3
Mt 25:33
aGe 30:15
Nu 16:9
Isa 7:13
tMic 2:2

uEze 32:2

vMt 23:13
Lu 11:52

vMt 25:32

^a Or, "flock." M, tsōn. ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^c Literally, "perishing." M. ^d "That one." Literally, "her," M. "Them," LXX-VgSy. ^e Or, "justice." ^f "A sheep." M, seh. ^g Or, literally, "the good pasturage," M. ^h Or, "settled." ⁱ M, seh; singular number.

zDa 8:4

*Zec 11:5
Zec 11:16
Lu 13:14
Ps 72:12
Jer 23:3
Zec 11:7
Ec 12:11
Jer 23:4
Zec 11:16
Joh 10:11
Heb 13:20

*Isa 11:1
Isa 55:3
Jer 30:9
Eze 37:24
Ho 3:5
Ex 29:45
Jer 31:1
Zec 13:9
Re 21:3

*Da 9:27
Ps 2:6
Isa 9:6
Jer 23:5
Mic 5:2
Lu 1:32
Ac 5:31
Php 2:9
Heb 2:10

*Isa 55:3
Eze 37:26
kLe 26:6
Isa 11:6
Isa 35:9
Isa 65:25
Ho 2:18

nPs 4:8
Jer 23:6
Jer 33:16
rIsa 56:7
Mic 4:1
sLe 26:4
tDe 28:12
Ps 68:9
Mal 3:10

uLe 26:4
Isa 35:2
vPs 85:12
yLe 25:18
Le 26:13
Jer 2:20
QJer 27:7
AEze 36:4

*Jer 46:27

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flank and with shoulder YOU kept pushing and with YOUR horns YOU kept shoving^z all the sickened ones until YOU had scattered them to the outside.^{*} ²² And I will save my sheep,^a and they will no longer become something for plunder;^a and I will judge between a sheep^b and a sheep.^b ²³ And I will raise up over them one shepherd,^a and he must feed^c them, even my servant David.^b He himself will feed^c them, and he himself will become their shepherd.^{*} ²⁴ And I myself, Jehovah, will become their God,^d and my servant David a chieftain^e in the midst of them.^{*} I myself, Jehovah, have spoken.

²⁵ "And I will conclude^f with them a covenant^g of peace,^{*} and I shall certainly cause the injurious wild beast to cease out of the land,^k and they will actually dwell in the wilderness in security and sleep in the forests.ⁿ ²⁶ And I will make them and the surroundings of my hill a blessing,^r and I will cause the pouring rain to descend in its time.^s Pouring rains of blessing there will prove to be.^t ²⁷ And the tree of the field must give its fruitage,^u and the land itself will give its yield,^v and they will actually prove to be on their soil in security.^y And they will have to know that I am Jehovah when I break the bars of their yoke^{*} and I actually deliver them out of the hand of those who have been using them as slaves.^z ²⁸ And they will no longer become something to plunder for the nations;^a and as regards the wild beast of the earth, it will not devour them, and they will actually dwell in security, without anyone to make [them] tremble.^o

^a Or, "flock." M, tsōn. ^b "A sheep." M, seh. ^c Or, "shepherd." ^d "God." M, El-o-him'. ^e Or, "na'si." ^f Literally, "cut." M, ka-rath'.

29 ““And I will raise up for them a planting for a name,^a and they will no more become those taken away by famine in the land,^b and they will no longer bear the humiliation by the nations.”^c “And they will have to know that I, Jehovah their God,^b am with them” and that they are my people, the house of Israel,^d is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.”^k

31 ““And as regards YOU^e my sheep,^d the sheep^d of my pasturing, YOU^e are earthing men.^f I am YOUR^e God,^b is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.”^{gn}

35 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² “Son of man, set your face^r against the mountainous region of Se’ir^s and prophesy against it.^t ³ And you must say to it, “This is what the Lord Jehovah^s has said: “Here I am against you, O mountainous region of Se’ir,^u and I will stretch out my hand against you^v and make you a desolate waste, even a desolation.^v ⁴ Your cities I shall set as a devastated place, and you yourself will become a sheer desolate waste;^z and you will have to know that I am Jehovah,^s ⁵ for the reason that you proved to have an indefinitely lasting enmity^q and you kept pouring the sons of Israel down upon the edges^h of the sword,^a in the time of their disaster,^g in the time of [their] final error.”^h

6 “‘Therefore as I am alive,’ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^s ‘because it was for blood

^a Or, “fame; renown.” ^b “God.” M, *Elo-him*. ^c “You,” in the feminine gender, plural number. ^d Or, “flock.” M, *tsōn*. ^e In the masculine gender, plural number. ^f “Earthing men.” M, *a-dam*. ^g See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^h Literally, “hands.” M. ⁱ Or, literally, “the time of the error of [the] end,” M.

*Ps 72:7
*Eze 36:29

*Eze 36:15
*Ps 46:7
Mt 1:23
kRo 9:25

nPs 78:52
Ps 100:3
Isa 40:11
Ac 20:28
1Pe 5:2

rIsa 50:7
sGe 32:3
Eze 25:8
tAm 1:11
Ob 10

uEze 25:12
vJer 6:12
yEze 25:13

zJoe 3:19
Mal 1:3
*Eze 6:13

qGe 27:41
*Am 1:11
*Ob 11
*Ps 137:7

*Ps 109:16
Ob 15
Mt 7:2
*Ps 109:17
Eze 25:14
*Eze 25:13

kJg 5:6
2Ch 15:5
Eze 29:11

nIsa 34:2
Isa 63:1
Jer 25:33
rJer 49:17
Jer 49:18
Mal 1:4
sEze 6:7

tPs 83:4
Jer 49:1
Eze 36:5
Ob 13
uPs 76:1
Isa 12:6
Eze 48:35
Zep 3:15

vPs 137:7
Am 1:11
Mt 7:2
yPs 9:16
Isa 26:9

zPs 94:9

*Ps 83:12
Eze 36:2
2Ch 32:15
Isa 37:23
Da 11:36
Re 13:6

that I proceeded to make you, blood itself will also pursue you.^g Surely it was blood that you hated, and blood itself will^a pursue you.^x ⁷ And I shall certainly make the mountainous region of Se’ir a desolate waste, even a desolation,^h and I will cut off from it one passing through and the one returning.^k ⁸ And I will fill its mountains with its slain ones; as for your hills and your valleys and all your stream beds, the very ones slain by [the] sword will fall in them.ⁿ ⁹ Indefinitely lasting desolate wastes are what I shall make you, and your own cities will not be inhabited;^r and you people will have to know that I am Jehovah.^s

10 “By reason of your saying, ‘These two nations and these two lands, they will become my own, and we shall certainly take possession of each [land],’^t whereas Jehovah himself proved to be right there,^u ¹¹ ‘therefore as I am alive,’ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, ‘I will act also according to your anger and according to your jealousy that you have expressed owing to your feelings of hatred toward them;^v and I will make myself known among them^b when I judge you.’^y ¹² And you will have to know that I myself, Jehovah, have heard all your disrespectful things that you have said concerning the mountains of Israel,^z saying: ‘They have^c been laid desolate. To us they have been given for food.’”¹³ And you people kept acting in great style against me with YOUR mouths,^d and you have made supplication against me with

^a Or, “Since blood you did not hate, blood itself also will.”
^b “Among them,” MVgSyT; “to you,” LXX. ^c “They have,” Mmargin; “She has,” MT. ^d Or, “You people maintain a big mouth against me.”

YOUR words.^a I myself have heard [them].^b

14 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'At the same time that all the earth rejoices,' a desolate waste is what I shall make of you.¹⁵ Just as there was rejoicing on your part at the possession of the house of Israel because it was laid desolate, the same thing I shall make of you.^c A desolate waste is what you will become, O mountainous region of Se'ir, even all E'dom, all of it;^d and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.'"^e

36 "And as for you, O son of man, prophesy concerning the mountains of Israel, and you must say, 'O mountains of Israel,^k hear the word of Jehovah.ⁿ ² This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: "For the reason that the enemy has said against you,^r 'Aha! Even the high places of old time^s—as a possession it has become ours!' "^t

3 "Therefore prophesy, and you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: "For the reason, even for the reason that there has been a desolate condition^u and a snapping at you people from all sides,^v in order for you to become a possession for the remaining ones of the nations^y and you continue being talked about with the tongue^z and there is a bad report among people,⁴ therefore, O mountains of Israel,⁵ hear the word of the Lord Jehovah! This is what the Lord Jehovah has said to the mountains and to the hills, to the stream beds and to the valleys and to the devastated places that were laid desolate^a and to the abandoned cities that have come to be for plunder and for

^aOb 3
^b2K1 19:28
Jer 29:23
^cIsa 14:7

^dPs 137:7
Pr 17:5
La 4:21
Ob 12
Ob 15
^eIsa 34:5
Eze 25:13
Eze 36:5
^fEze 6:13

^kEze 6:2
Eze 33:28
Eze 37:22
nJer 22:29

^rEze 25:3
^sDe 32:13
Ps 78:69
Isa 58:14
Hab 3:19
tJer 49:1
Eze 35:10

^uLe 26:43

^vPs 56:1
Ps 57:3
Am 8:4
^yEze 25:4
^zDe 28:37
Ps 44:13
Jer 18:16
¹K1 9:7
²Eze 6:2

^aIsa 6:11
Isa 24:1
Jer 25:9

^dPs 79:4

^eDe 4:24
Isa 66:15
Eze 38:19
Zep 3:8
Zec 1:15
^fJer 25:21

^gPs 83:4
Jer 49:1
Eze 35:10
^hPr 17:5
Ob 12
ⁱEze 25:12
Am 1:11

ⁿPs 74:10
Ps 74:23
Ps 123:4
Eze 34:29

^rDe 32:40
Eze 20:5
Eze 20:15
Da 12:7
Re 10:5
^sJer 25:9
Jer 49:17
Am 1:11

^tPs 67:6
Isa 60:5
Hag 2:7
uIsa 2:3
^vZep 3:9
Zec 8:23

^yHo 2:22
Hag 2:19

^zJer 30:19

^aJer 33:12
Zec 8:4
^bIsa 51:3
Isa 58:12
Isa 61:4
Am 9:14
^cJer 31:27

ridicule to the remaining ones of the nations that are round about;^d ^e therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'Certainly in the fire of my zeal I will speak^f against the remaining ones of the nations and against E'dom, all of it,^g those who have given my land to themselves as a possession with the rejoicing of all the heart,^h with scorn in [the] soul,^b for the sake of its pasture ground [and] for the plunder.'"^k

6 "Therefore prophesy concerning the soil of Israel, and you must say to the mountains and to the hills, to the stream beds and to the valleys, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Look! I myself in my zeal and in my rage must speak, for the reason that humiliation by nations is what you have borne."ⁿ ⁷ Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'I myself have raised my hand [in an oath]^r that the nations that you have round about—they themselves will bear their own humiliation.^s ⁸ And you yourselves, O mountains of Israel, will give forth YOUR very own boughs and bear YOUR own fruitage for my people Israel,^t for they have drawn near to the point of coming in.^u ⁹ For here I am in favor of you and I shall certainly turn toward you,^v and you will actually be cultivated and sown with seed.^y ¹⁰ And I will multiply upon you humankind,^c the whole house of Israel, all of it,^z and the cities will certainly become inhabited,^a and the devastated places themselves will be rebuilt.^c ¹¹ Yes, I will multiply upon you humankind^c and animalkind,^a and they will certainly multiply and become fruitful, and I

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai*; Vg, *a'ni-mus*. ^c Or, "men." M, *a.dam*.

shall actually cause YOU to be inhabited as in YOUR former condition^o and I will do more good than in YOUR initial state;⁺ and YOU will have to know that I am Jehovah.^o ¹² And upon YOU I shall actually cause humankind^a to walk, even my people Israel, and they must take possession of you,^b and you^b must become a hereditary possession to them^m and you^b will not bereave⁺ them again of any more children.⁺

13 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^c has said, 'For the reason that there are those saying to you: "A devourer of humankind^a is what you yourself are, and [a land]^d bereaving your nations of children is what you have become,"^k ¹⁴ 'therefore humankind^a you will no more devour,ⁿ and your nations you will no more bereave of children,^{er} is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^c ¹⁵ 'And I shall cause no further humiliating talk by the nations to be heard concerning you,^s and reproach by peoples you will bear no more,^t and your nations you will no more cause to stumble,⁺ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."^c

16 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁷ "Son of man, the house of Israel are dwelling upon their soil, and they keep making it unclean with their way and with their dealings.^u Like the uncleanness of menstruation their way has become before me.^v

^a Or, "men." M, a.dam'. ^b "You," in the plural number, LXXSy; "you," in the singular number, MVgT. ^c See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^d Or, literally, "and one," the pronoun being in the feminine gender because of referring to the land, which, in Hebrew, is feminine in gender. In verses 13, 14 the singular number, second-person pronoun (you, your) is in the feminine gender, addressed to the land. ^e "Bereave of children," MmarginⁱⁿLXXVgSy and many Hebrew manuscripts; "no more cause to stumble," M.

^oJer 30:18
Mic 7:14
⁺Isa 54:7
Hag 2:9
Zec 8:11
^oHo 2:20
Joe 3:17

^{*}Jer 32:44
Ob 17
mIsa 60:21
^{*}Jer 15:7

kAm 9:15

n2Sa 2:26
Pr 30:14
Eze 19:3
rJer 32:35
Eze 19:6

sIsa 54:4
Isa 60:14
Eze 34:29
Mic 7:8
Zep 3:19
tPs 89:50
Zep 2:8

uLe 18:24
Nu 35:33
Ps 106:38
Isa 24:5
Jer 2:7
Jer 3:1
Jer 16:18
Mic 2:10
vIsa 64:6

¹⁸ And I shall pour out my rage upon them on account of the blood that they have poured out upon the land,^y which [land] they have made unclean with their dungy idols.^z ¹⁹ And I shall scatter them among the nations, so that they will be dispersed among the lands.^{*} According to their way and according to their dealings I shall have to judge them.^o ²⁰ And they^a will come in to the nations where they will have to come in, and people^b will profane my holy name in saying with reference to them,⁺ 'These are the people of Jehovah and from his land they have gone out.'^o ²¹ And I shall have compassion on my holy name, which the house of Israel have profaned among the nations where they have come in."⁺

22 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Not for YOUR sakes am I doing [it], O house of Israel, but for my holy name, which YOU have profaned among the nations where YOU have come in."⁺ ²³ 'And I shall certainly sanctify my great name,^{*} which was being profaned among the nations, which YOU profaned in the midst of them; and the nations will have to know that I am Jehovah,'^k is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, 'when I am sanctified among YOU before their eyes.ⁿ ²⁴ And I shall certainly take YOU out of the nations and collect YOU together out of all the lands and bring YOU in upon YOUR soil.^r ²⁵ And I will sprinkle upon YOU clean water, and YOU will become clean;^s from all YOUR impurities^t and from all YOUR dungy idols I shall cleanse YOU.^u ²⁶ And I will give YOU a new

y2Ch 34:21
Isa 42:25
Eze 16:36
zEze 23:37

^{*}Le 26:38
De 28:64
Eze 22:15
^oEze 7:3
Eze 18:30

⁺Isa 52:5
Ro 2:24

^oNu 14:16
Jos 7:9

^{*}Ps 74:18
Isa 48:9
Eze 20:9

^oDe 7:7
De 9:5
Ps 106:8
^{*}Ps 46:10
Isa 5:16
Eze 20:41

kPs 102:15
nEze 23:22
rDe 30:3
Ps 107:3
Isa 43:5
Jer 23:3
Eze 34:13
Ho 1:11
^sNu 19:13
Ps 51:7
Isa 6:14
Heb 10:22
tIsa 4:4
Jer 33:8
1Co 6:11
1Jo 1:7
uEze 6:4

^a "They," some Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; "he," or, "it," M. ^b Literally, "they," M.

heart,^v and a new spirit I shall put inside you,^v and I will take away the heart of stone from YOUR flesh and give YOU a heart of flesh.^z ²⁷ And my spirit I shall put inside you,^{*} and I shall certainly act so that in my regulations YOU will walk,^q and my judicial decisions YOU will keep and actually carry out.⁴ ²⁸ And YOU will certainly dwell in the land that I gave to YOUR forefathers,^q and YOU must become my people and I myself shall become YOUR God.^{'a}

29 "And I shall certainly save you from all YOUR impurities^q and call to the grain and make it abound, and I shall put upon YOU no famine.^x ³⁰ And I shall certainly make the fruitage of the tree abound, and the produce of the field, in order that YOU may no more receive among the nations the reproach of famine.^{*} ³¹ And YOU will be bound to remember YOUR bad ways and YOUR dealings that were not good,^k and YOU will be bound to feel a loathing at YOUR own person on account of YOUR errors and on account of YOUR detestable things.ⁿ ³² Not for YOUR sakes am I doing [this],^r is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^b 'let it be known to YOU. Be ashamed and feel humiliation because of YOUR ways, O house of Israel.'^s

33 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'In the day of my cleansing you from all YOUR errors I will also cause the cities to be inhabited^t and the devastated places must be rebuilt.^u ³⁴ And the desolated land itself will be cultivated, whereas it had become a desolate waste before the eyes of every passer-by.^v ³⁵ And people will certainly say: "That land yonder that

^a "God." M, *El.o.kim'*. ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

was laid desolate has become like the garden^a of E'den,^q and the cities that were a waste and that were laid desolate and that were torn down are fortified; they have become inhabited."^z ³⁶ And the nations that will be left remaining round about YOU will have to know that I myself, Jehovah, have built the things torn down,^{*} I have planted what has been laid desolate. I myself, Jehovah, have spoken and I have done [it].^{'q}

37 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'This is what I shall yet let myself be searched for by the house of Israel to do for them:⁴ I shall multiply them like a flock with men.^b ³⁸ Like a flock of holy persons, like the flock of Jerusalem in her festal seasons,^{*} thus the cities that had been a waste will become full of a flock of men;^b and people will have to know that I am Jehovah.'

37 The hand of Jehovah proved to be upon me,^{*} and he proceeded to bring me forth in the spirit^c of Jehovah[#] and to make me rest in the midst of the valley plain,^k and it was full of bones.ⁿ ² And he had me pass along by them all round about, and, look! there were very many on the surface of the valley plain and, look! they were very dry.^r ³ And he began to say to me: "Son of man, can these bones come to life?" And I proceeded to say: "Lord Jehovah,^d you yourself well know."^s ⁴ And he went on to say to me: "Prophecy over these bones,

yDe 30:6
Jer 32:39
yPs 51:10
Ec 7:8
Eze 31:33
zZec 7:12
2Co 3:3
*Isa 44:3
Joe 2:28
qJer 31:33

*Ps 58:11
Eze 17:24
Eze 34:30
Eze 37:28

qNu 23:19
Eze 22:14

*Ps 102:17
Isa 55:6
Jer 29:12
Jer 50:5
Zec 13:9
Mt 7:7
qEze 36:10
*Ex 23:17
De 16:16
2Ch 7:8
Zec 8:19
qJer 30:19
Eze 34:31
Joh 10:16

*Eze 1:3
*Eze 3:14
Re 1:10
kLEI 18:12
2KI 2:16
Lu 4:1
Ac 8:39
nDa 12:2
Re 11:9

rPs 141:7

sDe 32:39
Isa 2:6
Joh 5:21
Ac 26:8
Ro 4:17
2Co 1:9
Heb 11:19

^a "The garden." M, *gan*; Sy, "the paradise" (*par.dai'sa*). ^b Or, "humankind." M, *a.dam'*. ^c "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^d "Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay'* *Y'ho.wih'*; LXXA, *Ky'ri.e Ky'ri.e*; Luther German, *Herr Herr*.

yDe 30:6
Jer 32:39
yPs 51:10
Ec 7:8
Eze 31:33
zZec 7:12
2Co 3:3
*Isa 44:3
Joe 2:28
qJer 31:33

qMt 1:21

*Ps 33:19

*Eze 34:27
Joe 2:17

kEzr 9:6
Ne 9:26
Jer 31:18
Eze 6:9

nIsa 6:5
Zec 12:10
Re 9:5
Da 9:19

sEze 16:63
Ro 6:21

tZec 8:8
uIsa 58:12
Jer 33:10
Am 9:14

v2Ch 36:21
Jer 25:9

and you must say to them, 'O you dry bones,
hear the word of Jehovah:'^u

5 "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said to these bones: "Here I am bringing into you breath,^a and you must come to life.^v ^e And I will put upon YOU sinews and cause to come upon you flesh and I will overlay upon you skin and put in you breath,^a and you must come to life;^v and you will have to know that I am Jehovah." ' ' "z

7 And I prophesied just as I had been commanded.* And a sound began to occur as soon as I prophesied,^o and here there was a rattling and bones began to approach, bone to its bone.^s And I saw, and, look! upon them sinews themselves and flesh itself came up and skin began to be overlaid upon them above. But as regards breath,^a there was none in them.

9 And he went on saying to me: "Prophecy to the wind.^b Prophecy, O son of man, and you must say to the wind,^b 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "From the four winds come in, O wind,^{bA} and blow upon these killed^m people, that they may come to life."' " ⁹

10 And I prophesied just as he had commanded me, and the breath^a proceeded to come into them, and they began to live and stand upon their feet,⁺ a very, very great military force.^o

11 And he went on to say to me: "Son of man, as regards these bones, they are the whole house of Israel.* Here they are saying, 'Our bones have become dry, and our hope has

^a "Breath." M, *ru'ahh*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^b "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d.

uJoh 5:25

vGe 2:7
Ps 104:30
Isa 26:19

yRe 11:11
zIsa 49:23
Joe 2:27

*Jer 26:8
□Ac 2:2

ΔCa 4:16
Joh 3:8
mMt 24:9
Re 11:7
Da 12:2
Joh 20:22

+Ps 104:30
©Re 9:7

+Jer 31:31
Eze 36:10
Ro 11:26
Ga 6:16

#Nu 17:12
Ps 77:9
Ps 141:7
Isa 40:27
Isa 49:14
kRe 11:8

nIsa 26:19
Isa 66:14
Ho 6:2
Ho 13:14
Re 11:11
rEze 36:24

sPs 126:2
Eze 37:6

tIsa 32:15
Eze 36:27
Joe 2:28
Zec 12:10
Ac 2:17

uEze 17:24
Eze 22:14
Eze 36:36

vNu 17:2
y2Ch 10:17
22Ch 11:17
2Ch 15:9
2Ch 30:11
oGe 30:24
*1Ki 11:26
1Ki 12:20
□1Ki 11:31
2Ch 10:19

ΔIsa 11:13
 Jer 50:4
 Ho 1:11
 ◇Eze 12:9

+Zec 10:6
Eph 2:14

perished.* We have been cut off, as respects ourselves.”^k ¹² Therefore prophesy, and you must say to them, “This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: “Here I am opening YOUR burial places and I will bring YOU up out of YOUR burial places,ⁿ O my people, and bring you in upon the soil of Israel.”^r ¹³ And you will have to know that I am Jehovah when I open YOUR burial places and when I bring YOU up out of YOUR burial places, O my people.”’^s ¹⁴ ‘And I will put my spirit^a in YOU, and YOU must come to life,^t and I will settle YOU upon YOUR soil; and you will have to know that I myself, Jehovah, have spoken and I have done [it],’ is the utterance of Jehovah.”^u

15 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁶ "And as for you, O son of man, take for yourself a stick^v and write upon it, 'For Judah^v and for the sons of Israel his partners.'^{bz} And take another stick and write upon it, 'For Joseph,^o the stick of E'phra-im,* and all the house of Israel his partners.'^{b□ 17} And cause them to approach each other into one stick for yourself, and they will actually become just one in your hand.[^] ¹⁸ And when the sons of your people begin to say to you, 'Will you not tell us what these things mean to you?'^q ¹⁹ speak to them, "This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: 'Here I am taking the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of E'phra-im, and the tribes of Israel his partners,^b and I will put them upon it, that is,^c the stick of Judah, and I shall actually make them one stick,* and they

^a See verse 1, footnote c. ^b "Partners," M^{margin} LXXVgSyT; "partner," M. ^c "That is." Or. "with."

must become one in my hand." ²⁰ And the sticks upon which you write must prove to be in your hand before their eyes.*

21 "And speak to them, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said: "Here I am taking the sons of Israel from among the nations to which they have gone, and I will collect them together from round about and bring them onto their soil." ²² And I shall actually make them one nation in the land,^k on the mountains of Israel, and one king is what all of them will come to have as king,ⁿ and they will no longer continue to be two nations, nor will they be divided any longer into two kingdoms. ²³ And they will no longer defile themselves with their dungy idols and with their disgusting things and with all their transgressions;^r and I shall certainly save them from all their dwelling places^b in which they have sinned, and I will cleanse them,^s and they must become my people, and I myself shall become their God.^{ct}

24 " "And my servant David will be king over them,^u and one shepherd is what they will all come to have,^v and in my judicial decisions they will walk and my statutes they will keep, and they will certainly carry them out.^y ²⁵ And they will actually dwell upon the land that I gave to my servant, to Jacob, in which YOUR forefathers dwelt,^z and they will actually dwell upon it,* they and their sons and their sons' sons to time indefinite,² and David my servant will be their chieftain^d to time indefinite.⁴

26 " "And I shall certainly conclude with

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^b LXX, "acts of lawlessness"; Sym^{ma}.chus (Greek), "apostasies." ^c "God." M, *Elo.him'*. ^d Or, "na'si." M, *na'si'*; LXX, *ar'khon*; Vg, *prin'ceps*.

^eCol 3:11

^fJer 50:4

^gDe 30:3

Isa 11:11

Isa 43:6

Jer 16:15

Jer 23:3

Eze 36:24

Am 9:14

Mic 7:12

kIsa 11:13

Jer 3:18

Ho 1:11

nGe 49:10

Ps 2:6

Isa 9:6

Jer 23:5

Lu 1:32

Re 11:15

rIsa 2:18

Eze 20:43

Ho 14:8

Zec 13:2

sLe 20:7

Eze 36:29

Heb 9:14

tGe 17:7

Jer 31:33

Eze 36:28

uJer 23:5

Ho 3:5

vPs 78:71

Joh 10:16

yJer 32:39

zJer 30:3

Eze 28:25

Joe 3:20

Isa 60:21

Am 9:15

Da 2:44

Zec 6:12

Lu 1:32

Joh 12:34

Heb 7:3

¹Eze 34:25

²Sa 23:5

Jer 32:40

Isa 49:21

Jer 30:19

Zec 8:5

Heb 6:14

*Le 26:11

Zec 2:5

2Co 6:16

*Re 21:3

kLe 26:12

Eze 36:28

Ho 2:23

nPs 79:10

Eze 36:23

rLe 20:8

Joh 17:17

1Th 5:23

sRe 20:8

tGe 10:2

u1Ch 1:5

Eze 32:26

vIsa 66:19

Eze 27:13

yEze 39:1

z2Kl 19:28

Eze 29:4

*Isa 37:29

Da 11:40

*Eze 23:12

*Jer 46:9

*Eze 27:10

*Isa 18:1

*1Ch 1:8

Na 3:9

*Ge 10:2

*1Ch 1:5

them a covenant of peace;¹ an indefinitely lasting covenant is what there will come to be with them.* And I will place them and multiply them² and place my sanctuary in the midst of them to time indefinite.* ²⁷ And my tabernacle will actually prove to be over them,* and I shall certainly become their God,^a and they themselves will become my people.^k ²⁸ And the nations will have to know that I, Jehovah,ⁿ am sanctifying Israel when my sanctuary comes to be in the midst of them to time indefinite." "r

38 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ² "Son of man, set your face against Gog^s [of] the land of Ma'gog,^{bt} the head chieftain^c of Me'shech^u and Tu'bal,^v and prophesy against him. ³ And you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah^d has said: "Here I am against you, O Gog, you head chieftain^c of Me'shech and Tu'bal.^y ⁴ And I shall certainly turn you around and put hooks in your jaws^z and bring you forth with all your military force,* horses and horsemen,² all of them clothed in perfect taste,^a a numerous congregation, with large shield and buckler, all of them handling swords;¹ ⁵ Persia,* E.thi.o'pia^e and Put* with them, all of them with buckler and helmet; ⁶ Go'mer* and all its bands, the

^a "God." M, *Elo.him'*. ^b "Gog [of] the land of Ma'gog," MT; "Gog and the land of Ma'gog," LXX; "Gog, the land of Ma'gog," Vg; "Gog and against the land of Ma'gog," Sy. "Ma'gog" is the artificial form equivalent to "home of Gog," according to *Lexicon in Veteris Testamenti Libros*, by Koehler and Baumgartner (1953). ^c "Head chieftain," M. Or, "chieftain of Rosh." But LXX, "ruler of Rōs"; Vg, "prince of the head"; Sy, "leader and head." ^d See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^e "E.thi.o'pia." M, *Cush*; LXXVg, "E.thi.o'prians."

house of To-gar'mah,^k [of] the remotest parts of the north, and all its bands, many peoples with you.^m

7 "Be ready and let there be preparation on your part, you and all your congregation, those congregated alongside you,ⁿ and you must become their guard.

8 "After many days you will be given attention.^r In the final part^s of the years you will come to the land^t [of people] brought back from the sword,^u collected together out of many peoples,^v onto the mountains of Israel,^v that have proved to be a devastated place for a long time;^z even [a land]^a that has been brought forth from the peoples, [where] they have dwelt in security, all of them.^{* 9} And you will be bound to come up.[□] Like a storm you will come in.[△] Like clouds to cover the land you will become,[◇] you and all your bands and many peoples with you."⁹

10 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, 'And it must occur in that day that things will come up into your heart,^{*} and you will certainly think up an injurious scheme;^{* 11} and you must say: "I shall go up against the land of open rural country.^k I shall come in upon those having no disturbance,ⁿ dwelling in security,^r all of them dwelling without wall,^s and they do not have even bar and doors."^{t 12} It will be to get a big spoil^u and to do much plundering,^v in order to turn your hand back upon devastated places reinhabited^z and upon a people gathered

^a "Even [a land]." Literally, "and it," M; the pronoun "it," however, being in the feminine gender, to refer to "land" (feminine) in the same verse. ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

kGe 10:3
1Ch 1:6
Eze 27:14
mEze 39:2

nIsa 8:9
Jer 46:3
Joe 3:9

rIsa 24:22
Isa 29:6
La 4:22
sJer 49:39
tIsa 66:8
uMt 24:9
Re 11:7
vIsa 66:20
Mt 24:31
yZec 14:5
Lu 21:21
zIsa 61:4

*Jer 23:6
□Da 11:41
△Isa 28:2
◇Jer 4:13

9Isa 8:9

*Ps 83:4
Pr 19:21
Isa 10:7
Mr 7:21
*Ps 36:4
Pr 6:18
Mic 2:1
kEx 15:9
Isa 37:24
nJg 18:7
rJer 23:6
sZec 2:4
tPr 3:29
uPr 1:13
vJer 30:16

zJer 32:43
Jer 33:12

*Zec 10:8

□Isa 60:5
Isa 60:11
Isa 61:6

△Jg 9:37
◇Eze 27:22
*Eze 27:15
*Eze 27:25
*Ps 57:4
Jer 50:17
Na 2:11

together out of the nations,^{*} that is accumulating wealth and property,[□] who are dwelling in the center[△] of the earth.

13 "She'ba[◇] and De'dan^{*} and the merchants of Tar'shish⁹ and all its maned young lions^{*}—they will say to you: "Is it to get a big spoil that you are coming in? Is it to do much plundering that you have congregated your congregation, in order to carry off silver and gold, to take wealth and property, to get a very great spoil?"

14 "Therefore prophesy, O son of man, and you must say to Gog,^k 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Will it not be in that day when my people Israel are dwelling in security that you will know [it]?"^{n 15} And you will certainly come from your place, from the remotest parts of the north,^r you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great congregation, even a numerous military force.^{s 16} And you will be bound to come up against my people Israel, like clouds to cover the land.^t In the final part of the days it will occur,^u and I shall certainly bring you against my land, for the purpose that the nations may know me when I sanctify myself in you before their eyes, O Gog."^v

17 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, 'Are you the same one of whom I spoke in the former days by the hand of my servants the prophets of Israel, who were prophesying in those days—years—as to bringing you in upon them?'^y

kEze 38:2

nJer 23:6
Eze 37:28
Eze 38:8
Zec 2:5
rEze 39:2

sEze 38:6
Joe 3:2
Zep 3:8
Zec 12:2
Zec 14:2
Re 16:14
tEze 38:9
uIsa 2:2

v2Ki 19:19
Ps 83:18
Eze 38:23
Mt 6:9

yPs 110:6
Isa 14:12
Jer 50:31
Ro 9:17

^a Or, literally, "navel," M. ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

18 "And it must occur in that day, in the day when Gog comes in upon the soil of Israel," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^a "that my rage will come up into my nose."¹⁹ And in my ardor,* in the fire of my fury, I shall have to speak.² Surely in that day a great quaking will occur in the soil^b of Israel.²⁰ And because of me the fish^c of the sea and the flying creatures of the heavens and the wild beasts of the field and all the creeping things that are creeping on the ground and all mankind^c that are upon the surface of the ground will be bound to quake,⁶ and the mountains will actually be thrown down* and the steep ways will have to fall,⁶ and to the earth every wall itself will fall.'

21 "And I shall certainly call forth against him throughout all my mountainous region a sword," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^x 'Against his own brother the sword of each one will come to be.'²² And I shall certainly bring myself into judgment^k with him, with pestilenceⁿ and with blood;^r and a flooding downpour and hailstones,^s fire^t and sulphur^o I shall rain down upon him^u and upon his bands and upon the many peoples that will be with him. ²³ And I shall certainly magnify myself and sanctify myself^v and make myself known before the eyes of many nations; and they will have to know that I am Jehovah.'^y

39 "And as regards you, O son of man, prophesy against Gog,^z and you must say, 'This is what the Lord Jehovah has said: "Here I am against you, O Gog, you head chief-

zDe 32:22
Na 1:2
Heb 12:29
*Isa 42:13
Eze 23:25
□Ps 78:21
AJoe 3:16
Hag 2:6
Heb 12:26
Re 16:18
□Zep 1:3

□Ho 4:3

*Jer 4:24
Na 1:5
□Isa 30:25
*Eze 14:17
*Jg 7:22
Isa 14:20
2Ch 20:23
Hag 2:22
Zec 8:10
Zec 14:13
kJer 25:31
nZec 14:12
rIsa 66:16
sEx 9:22
Jos 10:11
Ps 18:12
Isa 28:17
□Re 9:17
tIsa 29:6
Isa 30:30
uGe 19:24
Ps 11:6

vEze 36:23

yPs 9:16
Eze 6:13

zEze 38:2

*1Ch 1:5
Eze 32:26
□Isa 66:19
Eze 27:13
*Isa 37:29
□Eze 38:15
Da 11:41

*Ps 46:9
Ps 76:3
Ho 1:5
□Jer 21:4

□Ho 11:11

*Eze 32:4
Re 19:18

*Jer 8:2
Jer 22:19
Eze 32:4

kNa 1:6
2Pe 3:7

nJg 18:7
Ps 72:10
Isa 66:19
Jer 25:22
Zep 2:11
rLe 18:21
Eze 20:9

nEze 38:16
tIsa 12:6

uIsa 33:10
Eze 7:2
Re 16:17

v2Pe 3:10

yIsa 66:24

tain of Me'shech^a and Tu'bal.² And I will turn you around and lead you on^d and cause you to come up from the remotest parts of the north^o and bring you in upon the mountains of Israel. ³ And I will strike your bow out of your left hand,* and your arrows I shall cause to fall out of your own right hand.⁴ On the mountains of Israel you will fall, you and all your bands and the peoples that will be with you. To birds of prey, birds^o of every sort of wing, and the wild beasts of the field I will give you for food."⁵

5 "Upon the surface of the field you will fall,* for I myself have spoken,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

6 "And I will send fire upon Ma'gog^{bk} and upon those who are inhabiting the islands in security;ⁿ and people will have to know that I am Jehovah. ⁷ And my holy name I shall make known in the midst of my people Israel, and I shall no more let my holy name be profaned;^r and the nations will have to know that I am Jehovah,^s the Holy One in Israel.'^{ct}

8 "Look! It must come and it must be brought to be,^u is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^d 'This is the day of which I have spoken.'^v And the inhabitants of the cities of Israel will certainly go forth^y and burn and build fires with the armor and bucklers and large shields,—with the bows and with the arrows and with the handstaves and with the

^a Or, "you chieftain of Rosh, Me'shech." LXX, "ruler of Rosh, Me'shech"; Vg, "head prince of Me'shech"; Sy, "leader and head of Me'shech"; T, "the head great one [rab] of Me'shech." ^b "Ma'gog," MVgSyT; "Gog," LXX. According to *Lexicon in Veteris Testamenti Libros*, by Koehler and Baumgartner, "Ma'gog" is the artificial form equivalent to "home of Gog." ^c Or, "I, Jehovah, am holy in Israel." ^d See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

^a See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a. ^b Or, "ground." M, *a-da-mah'*. ^c Or, "earthling men." M, *ha-a-dam'*.

lances;^z and with them they will have to light fires seven years.¹⁰ And they will not carry sticks of wood from the field, nor will they gather firewood out of the forests, for with the armor they will light fires.¹¹

"And they will certainly make spoil of those who had been making spoil of them," and plunder those who had been plundering them," is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

11 "And it must occur in that day that I shall give to Gog^a a place there,^a a burial place in Israel, the valley of those passing through on the east of the sea,^b and it^b will be stopping up those passing through. And there they will have to bury Gog and all his crowd, and they will be certain to call [it] the Valley of Gog's Crowd.^c 12 And those of the house of Israel will have to bury them for the purpose of cleansing the land, for seven months.^e 13 And all the people of the land will have to do the burying, and it will certainly become for them a matter of fame in the day that I glorify myself,"* is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.

14 "And there will be men^d for continual [employment] whom they will divide off, passing along through the land, burying, with those passing through,^e those left remaining on the surface of the earth, in order to cleanse it.^k To the end of seven months they will keep making search.¹⁵ And those passing through must pass along through the land, and should one actually

^a "A place there," M; "a place of name [renown]," LXXVg.
^b "It," in the feminine gender in the Hebrew text, to refer to "valley," also in the feminine gender here. ^c Or, "Valley of Ha'mon-Gog." ^d "Men." M, *a-nā-shim*; plural number of *ish*. ^e "With those passing through," MT; but omitted by LXXSy.

zJos 11:6
Ps 46:9
Zec 9:10

*Isa 14:2
Isa 33:1
Hab 2:8
Zep 2:9
Mt 7:2
Re 18:6

ⓈEze 38:2

ⓈNu 34:11
Eze 47:18
Lu 5:1

*Nu 11:34

ⓈNu 19:16
De 21:23

*Ps 126:2
Eze 28:22
Eze 38:16

kNu 19:11
Nu 19:14
Nu 19:18

see the bone of a man^a he must also build beside it a marker, until those who do the burying will have buried it in the Valley of Gog's Crowd.^{br} 16 And the name of [the] city will also be Ha-mo'nah.^c And they will have to cleanse the land.¹⁸

17 "And as regards you, O son of man, this is what the Lord Jehovah has said, 'Say to the birds of every sort of wing and to all the wild beasts of the field:^t "Collect yourselves together and come. Gather yourselves together all around to my sacrifice, which I am sacrificing for YOU, a great sacrifice on the mountains of Israel.^u And you will certainly eat flesh and drink blood.^v 18 The flesh of mighty ones you will eat,^v and the blood of the chieftains of the earth YOU will drink, rams, young male sheep,^m and he-goats, young bulls,^z the fatlings of Ba'shan all of them.¹⁹ And you will be certain to eat fat to satisfaction^q and to drink blood to drunkenness, from my sacrifice that I shall actually sacrifice for YOU."^r

20 "And you must get satisfied at my table on horses and charioteers,^d mighty persons and all sorts of warriors,^e is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^A

21 "And I will set my glory among the nations; and all the nations will have to see my judgment that I have executed^o and my hand that I have placed among them.⁺ 22 And those of the house of Israel will have to know that

rEze 39:11

sEze 39:12

tIsa 56:9
Jer 12:9
Zep 1:7

uIsa 34:6
Jer 46:10
Re 19:17
vIsa 17:46
Re 19:18
yEze 29:5
mJer 51:40
zPs 68:30
Isa 34:7
Jer 50:27
*De 32:14
Ps 22:12
Am 4:1
ⓈRe 19:21

ⓈPs 76:6
Eze 38:4
Hag 2:22
Re 19:18
ⓈEx 9:16
Ex 14:4
Isa 26:11
Isa 37:20
Eze 36:23
Eze 38:23
Mal 1:11
Ro 9:17
*Ex 7:4
Ex 8:19
Isa 5:7
Isa 5:11
Isa 6:9
Ps 32:4
1Pe 5:6

^a "A man." M, *a-dam*. ^b See verse 11, footnote c. ^c Meaning "crowd"; *Ha-mo'nah* being the feminine form of *Ha-mōn* in verses 11, 15. ^d Or, "horsemen," in agreement with LXXVgSy. "War chariot," M. ^e Literally, "every man [*ish*] of war," M.

I, Jehovah, am their God^a from that day and forward.²³ And the nations will have to know that it was because of their error that they, the house of Israel, went into exile,^{*} on account of the fact that they behaved unfaithfully toward me, so that I proceeded to hide my face from them^{*} and give them into the hand of their adversaries, and they kept falling, all of them, by the sword.^k ²⁴ According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions I did with them,ⁿ and I kept concealing my face from them.^j

²⁵ "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, 'Now is when I shall bring back the captive ones of Jacob^r and actually have mercy upon all the house of Israel;^s and I will show exclusive devotion for my holy name.^t ²⁶ And they will have borne their humiliation^u and all their unfaithfulness with which they have acted toward me,^v when they dwell on their soil in security,^y with no one disturbing.^z ²⁷ When I bring them back from the peoples and I actually collect them together out of the lands of their enemies,^{*} I will also sanctify myself among them before the eyes of many nations.¹⁰

²⁸ "And they will have to know that I, Jehovah, am their God,^a when I send them in exile to the nations and actually bring them together upon their soil,[^] so that I shall leave none of them remaining there any longer.[^] ²⁹ And I shall no longer conceal my face from them,^{*} because I shall certainly pour out my spirit upon the house of Israel,¹⁰ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.¹⁰

^a Or, "I am Jehovah their God [*Elo-him*']". ^b See Ezekiel 12:10, footnote a.

^ePs 9:16
Jer 24:7
Eze 6:13

²Ch 7:22
Jer 22:9

^kDe 31:18
Ps 10:1
Ps 30:7

^kLe 26:25
De 32:30
Ps 106:41

ⁿLe 26:24
Eze 36:19

^rJer 30:3

^sJer 31:1
Ho 1:11
Zec 1:16
tEze 36:21
uDa 9:16

^vPs 99:8

^yLe 26:5
zJer 23:6

^{*}Eze 28:25

¹⁰Isa 5:16
Eze 36:23

[^]Eze 34:30
Ho 2:20
[^]De 30:4
Ro 11:26

^{*}Isa 45:17
Isa 54:8
¹⁰Isa 32:15
Joe 2:28
Ac 2:4
1Jo 3:24

²Kl 24:14
2Ch 36:10

²Kl 25:9
2Ch 36:19
Jer 39:2
Jer 52:7
Eze 33:21
kEze 1:3
nEze 8:3

^rIsa 2:2
Da 2:35
Mic 4:1

^sPs 48:2
Re 21:10

tEze 1:7
Da 10:6
Re 1:15
uIsa 28:17
Eze 47:3
Zec 2:1
Re 11:1
vEze 2:8

^yMt 10:27

^zJer 26:2
Eze 43:10
Ac 20:27

^{*}Isa 26:1
Isa 60:18
Eze 42:20
Re 21:12

40 In the twenty-fifth year of our exile,^{*} in the start of the year, on the tenth [day] of the month, in the fourteenth year after the city had been struck down,^{*} on this very same day the hand of Jehovah proved to be upon me,^k and he proceeded to bring me to that place.ⁿ ² In the visions of God^a he brought me to the land of Israel and gradually set me down upon a very high mountain,^r on which there was something like the structure of a city to the south.^{bs}

³ And he proceeded to bring me there, and, look! there was a man.^c His appearance was like the appearance of copper,^t and there was a flax cord in his hand, and a measuring reed,^u and he was standing in the gate.^d ⁴ And the man^c began to speak to me: "Son of man,^{ev} see with your eyes, and with your ears hear, and set your heart upon all that I am showing you, because for the purpose of [my] showing you, you have been brought here.^y Tell everything that you are seeing to the house of Israel."^z

⁵ And, look! there was a wall outside the house all round about.^{*} And in the hand of the man^c there was the measuring reed of six cubits, by a cubit and a handbreadth.^f And he began to measure the breadth of the thing built,^g one reed; and the height, one reed.

⁶ Then he came to the gate, the front of

^a "God." M, *Elo-him*'. ^b Or, "toward the Neg'eb." ^c "Man." M, *ish*; LXX, *a-nēr*'; Vg, *vir*. ^d Or, "gateway," according to its description. ^e "Man." M, *a-dam*'; LXX, *an'thro-pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*. ^f A "cubit and a handbreadth" would amount to about 21 inches, which would represent the enlarged sanctuary cubit. Hence a "reed of six cubits" would measure about ten and a half feet in length. ^g "Thing built." M, *bin-gan*'; LXX, "outer (advance) wall."

which is toward the east,^a and went up by its steps. And he began to measure the threshold of the gate,^a one reed in width, and the other threshold, one reed in width. ⁷ And the guard chamber was one reed in length and one reed in width, and between the guard chambers^b there were five cubits; and the threshold of the gate beside the porch of the gate toward the interior was one reed.

8 And he proceeded to measure the porch of the gate toward the interior, one reed. ⁹ So he measured the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and its side pillars,^a two cubits; and the porch of the gate was toward the interior.

10 And the guard chambers of the gate toward the east were three on this side and three on that side.^a The three of them were of the same measurement, and the side pillars^a were of the same measurement, on this side and on that side.

11 Then he measured the width of the entrance of the gate, ten cubits; the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.

12 And the fenced area in front of the guard chambers was one cubit, and there was a fenced area of one cubit on [either] side. And the guard chamber was six cubits on this side and six cubits on that side.

13 And he went on to measure the gate from the roof of the [one] guard chamber to the roof of the other, a width of twenty-five cubits; entrance was across from entrance. ¹⁴ Then he made side pillars of sixty cubits, even to the side pillar[s] of the courtyard^b in the gate[s]

^a Or, "projections."

1Ch 9:18
Ne 3:29
Eze 43:1
Eze 44:1
Eze 46:2

1Ch 9:26

Eze 40:21

Ex 27:9
Ex 35:17
Le 6:16
1Ch 28:6
Ps 65:4
Ps 84:2
Ps 100:4
Isa 62:9
Eze 8:7
Eze 42:1

all around.^a ¹⁵ And by the front of the gate of the entryway [to] by the front of the porch of the inner gate was fifty cubits.

16 And there were windows of narrowing frames^a for the guard chambers and for their side pillars toward the inside of the gate all around, and that is the way it was for the porches. And the windows were all around toward the inside, and on the side pillars there were palm-tree figures.^a

17 And he gradually brought me into the outer courtyard,^k and, look! there were dining rooms,ⁿ and a pavement made for the courtyard all around. There were thirty dining rooms upon the pavement. ¹⁸ And the pavement^r at the side of the gates was exactly as the length of the gates—the lower pavement.^s

19 And he proceeded to measure the width from in front of the lower gate to the front of the inner courtyard. Outside it was a hundred cubits, to the east and to the north.^t

20 And the outer courtyard had a gate the front of which was toward the north. He measured its length and its width. ²¹ And its guard chambers were three on this side and three on that side. And its own side pillars and its own porch proved to be according to the measurement of the first gate.^u Fifty cubits was its length, and its width was twenty-five in cubits.^v

²² And its windows and its porch^y and its palm-tree figures^z were of the same measurement as those of the gate the front of which is toward the east.^a And by seven steps people could go

*1K1 6:4
Eze 41:26

#1K1 6:29
1K1 6:32
1K1 6:35
2Ch 3:5
Ps 92:12
Re 7:9
kEze 10:5
Eze 42:1
Re 11:2
n1Sa 1:9
1Sa 9:22
2K1 23:11
1Ch 9:26
1Ch 23:28
1Ch 28:12
2Ch 31:11
Ne 10:38
Jer 35:2
r2K1 16:17
Joh 19:13
s2Ch 7:3
Eze 42:3
tEze 40:27

uEze 40:7
Eze 40:10
vEze 40:29
yEze 40:16
z1K1 6:29
1K1 6:32
1K1 6:35
1K1 7:36
2Ch 3:5
Ps 92:12
Re 7:9
*Eze 40:6

^a This verse reads in LXX: "And the open part of the porch of the gate on the outside was twenty cubits, the chambers of the gate being round about."

up into it,^m and its porch was to their front. ^{mEze 40:26}

23 And the gate of the inner courtyard was opposite the gate to the north; also [one] to the east. And he proceeded to measure from gate to gate a hundred cubits.^o

24 And he gradually brought me toward the south,^a and, look! there was a gate toward the south,^a and he measured its side pillars and its porch as of the same measurements as these.

²⁵ And it and its porch had windows all around, like these windows.^o Fifty cubits was the length, and the breadth was twenty-five cubits.⁺

²⁶ And there were seven steps for going up to it,^o and its porch was to their front. And it had palm-tree figures,^{*} one on this side and one on that side on its side pillars.

27 And the inner courtyard had a gate toward the south.^a And he measured from gate to gate toward the south^a a hundred cubits.⁺

²⁸ And he gradually brought me into the inner courtyard^k by the gate of the south.^a And he proceeded to measure the gate of the south^a as of the same measurements as these.^u ²⁹ And its guard chambers^r and its side pillars and its porch were of the same measurements as these.

And it and its porch had windows round about.^s Fifty cubits was the length, and the width was twenty-five cubits.^t ^{30b} And there were porches all around; the length was twenty-five cubits, and the width five cubits. ³¹ And its porch was to the outer courtyard, and palm-tree figures were on its side pillars,^u and its ascent was eight steps.^v

^a "South." M, *da-rôm'*. ^b Verse 30 is not found in some Hebrew manuscripts or in LXXIt, and is considered a dittography of verse 29.

^oEze 40:19
Eze 40:27

^ΔEze 46:9

^o1Ki 6:4
Eze 40:16
Eze 40:22
Eze 40:29
Eze 40:21
Eze 40:33
Eze 40:22
Eze 40:16
Ca 7:7

⁺Eze 40:23

^kEze 40:47

ⁿEze 40:32
Eze 40:35
Eze 40:7
Eze 40:10
Eze 40:12
Eze 40:22
Eze 40:25

^tEze 40:36

^uEze 40:16

^vEze 40:34
Eze 40:37

32 And he gradually brought me into the inner courtyard by way of the east, and he proceeded to measure the gate as of the same measurements as these.^y ³³ And its guard chambers and its side pillars and its porch were of the same measurements as these, and it and its porch had windows all around. The length was fifty cubits, and the width twenty-five cubits.^z ³⁴ And its porch was toward the outer courtyard, and palm-tree figures^{*} were on its side pillars on this side and on that side. And its ascent was eight steps.^o

35 And he proceeded to bring me into the north gate,^a and he measured, with the same measurements as these,^o ³⁶ its guard chambers,⁺ its side pillars and its porch. And it had windows all around. The length was fifty cubits, and the width twenty-five cubits.⁺ ³⁷ And to the outer courtyard were its side pillars, and palm-tree figures were on its side pillars on this side and on that side.^{*} And its ascent was eight steps.

³⁸ And a dining room⁺ with its entrance was by the side pillars of the gates. There it was that they would rinse the whole burnt offering.^k

39 And in the porch of the gate there were two tables on this side and two tables on that side, for slaughtering upon them the whole burnt offeringⁿ and the sin^o offering^r and the guilt offering.^s ⁴⁰ And on the outer side, as one goes up to the entrance of the north gate, there were two tables. And on the other side that belongs to the porch of the gate there were two tables. ⁴¹ There were four tables over here and four tables over there at the side of the gate—eight tables, upon which they would do the

^yEze 40:28

^zEze 40:21
Eze 40:25
*Eze 40:16

^oEze 40:31

^ΔEze 44:4
Eze 47:2
Eze 40:32
Eze 40:7
Eze 40:10
Eze 40:12

^oEze 40:21
Eze 40:29

*Eze 40:31

⁺1Sa 1:9
1Sa 9:22
2Ki 23:11
1Ch 9:26
1Ch 23:28
1Ch 28:12
2Ch 31:11
Ne 10:38
Jer 35:2
kLe 8:21
Heb 10:22
nLe 1:3
Ex 29:14
rLe 4:3
sLe 5:6
Le 7:1
Le 19:21
Nu 6:12
Eze 42:13
Eze 44:29

slaughtering. ⁴² And the four tables^a for the whole burnt offering were of hewn^t stone. The length was one cubit and a half, and the width one cubit and a half, and the height one cubit. Upon them they would also deposit the implements with which they would slaughter the whole burnt offering and the sacrifice. ⁴³ And the ledges for setting down things were of one handbreadth, firmly fixed on the interior, all around; and upon the tables [they would deposit]^b the flesh of the gift offering.^{c,u}

44 And on the outside of the inner gate there were the dining rooms of the singers,^v in the inner courtyard, which is on the side of the north gate. And their front side was toward the south. There was one on the side of the east^d gate. The front was toward the north.

45 And he proceeded to speak to me: "This one, the dining room the front of which is toward the south, is for the priests who are taking care of the obligation of the house.^y ⁴⁶ And the dining room the front of which is toward the north is for the priests who are taking care of the obligation of the altar.^z They are the sons of Za'dok,^e who, from the sons of Le'vi, are approaching Jehovah to minister to him."^o

47 And he went measuring the [inner] courtyard. The length was a hundred cubits, and the width a hundred cubits, foursquare. And the altar was before the house.^a

48 And he proceeded to bring me into the porch of the house,^g and he went measuring the

^t2Ch 34:11
Isa 9:10

^oGe 4:3
^uLe 1:6
^lLe 1:8
^lLe 8:20
^lMr 7:11
^v1Ch 6:31
^l1Ch 9:33
^l1Ch 15:16
^l2Ch 5:12
^l2Ch 20:21
^l2Ch 35:15
^lEzr 2:41
^lEzr 7:7
^lNe 7:1
^lPs 68:25
^lEph 5:19
^lCol 3:16

^yLe 8:35
^lNu 3:7
^lNu 3:32
^lDe 11:1
^l2Ch 13:11
^zLe 6:12
^lNu 18:5
^l*2Sa 8:17
^l1Ki 2:35
^l1Ch 12:28
^l1Ch 24:3
^lEze 43:19
^oNu 16:5
^lNu 16:40
^lEze 44:15

^a1Ki 8:22

^g1Ki 6:3
^l1Ch 28:11
^l2Ch 3:4

^a The exact location of these four tables at the north gate is not stated. ^b "They would deposit," Sy; but missing from MVg. ^c "Gift offering," M, *qar.ban*; Vg, *ob.la'ti.o*. ^d "East," MVgSyT; "south," LXX.

side pillar of the porch, five cubits on this side and five cubits on that side. And the width of the gate was three cubits on this side and three cubits on that side.

49 The length of the porch was twenty cubits, and the width eleven^a cubits. And by steps was how they would go up to it.^b And there were pillars by the side posts, one over here and one over there.^c

41 And he proceeded to bring me into the temple,^{c,u} and he went measuring the side pillars, six cubits being the width over here and six cubits the width over there, the width of the side pillar.^d ² And the width of the entrance^e was ten cubits, and the sides of the entrance were five cubits over here and five cubits over there. And he went measuring its length, forty cubits; and the width, twenty cubits.^f

3 And he went inside and proceeded to measure the side pillar of the entrance, two cubits; and the entrance, six cubits; and the width of the entrance was seven cubits. ⁴ And he went measuring its length, twenty cubits; and [its] width, twenty cubits,^k before the temple.^c Then he said to me: "This is the Most Holy."^{en}

5 And he proceeded to measure the wall of the house, six cubits. And the width of the side chamber was four cubits, round about; all around the house it was, round about.^r ⁶ And the side chambers were side chamber upon side chamber, three [stories], and for thirty times;

^u1Ki 7:21
^l2Ch 3:17
^lJer 52:17
^lRe 3:12

^u1Ki 6:2
^lZec 6:12
^l1Co 3:16
^l2Co 6:16
^lEph 2:21
^l1Pe 2:5

^eEx 26:36
^lEx 36:37
^l1Ki 6:33

^u1Ki 6:2
^l1Ki 6:17
^l2Ch 3:3

^k1Ki 6:20
^l2Ch 3:8
^uEx 26:33
^l1Ki 6:16
^lHeb 9:3

^r1Ki 6:5

^a "Eleven," MVgSyT; "twelve," LXX. ^b LXX reads: "And upon ten steps they would go up to it." Vg reads: "And by eight steps there would be an ascent to it." ^c "Temple." M, *heikhal*; LXX, *na.os*; Vg, *tem'plum*. ^d "Side pillar," by a correction of M; literally, "tent," M. ^e Literally, "the Holy of the Holies," M.

and they were entering into the wall that belonged to the house, that is, the side chambers all around, in order that they might be held in, but they were not held in in the wall of the house.^a ⁷ And there was a widening out and turning around upward and upward^a to the side chambers, for the winding passage of the house was upward and upward all around the house.^t Therefore there was a widening to the house upward, and from^b the lowest [story] one could go up to the uppermost [story], by the middle [story].

8 And I saw that there was a high platform^c for the house all around. As regards the foundations of the side chambers, there was a full reed of six cubits to the joining. ⁹ The width of the wall that belonged to the side chamber, to the outside, was five cubits. And there was a space left open^{du} [by] the construction of the side chambers that belonged to the house.

10 And between the dining rooms^v the width was twenty cubits round about the house, all around. ¹¹ And the entrance of the side chamber was to the space left open,^{dv} one entrance being toward the north and one entrance to the south; and the width of the area of the space left open^d was five cubits, all around.

12 And the building^{ez} that was before the separated area,^f the side [of which] was toward the west,^g was seventy cubits wide. And

^a "Upward and upward," M. Or, according to a suggested correction (Koehler and Baumgartner), "from story to story." ^b "From," LXXVgSy; "thus," M. ^c "A high platform." Literally, "a height," or, "eminence," M. ^d "Space left open," M, *mun-nahh*. ^e "Building," M, *bin-yan*. ^f "Separated area," M, *gis-rah*. ^g "West." Literally, "sea." That is, the Mediterranean Sea.

s1Kl 6:6
1Kl 6:10
1Ch 28:11

t1Kl 6:8

uEze 41:11

v1Sa 1:9
1Sa 9:22
2Kl 23:11
1Ch 9:26
1Ch 23:28
1Ch 28:12
2Ch 31:11
Ne 10:38
Jer 35:2
yEze 41:9

zEze 41:15
Eze 42:1
Eze 42:10
*Eze 41:15
Eze 42:1
Eze 42:10
Eze 42:13

zEze 41:15
Eze 42:1
Eze 42:10

*Eze 41:15
Eze 42:1
Eze 42:10
Eze 42:13

□Eze 42:5

△1Kl 6:16
2Ch 3:10
Eze 41:4
Heb 9:3
◇1Kl 6:4
Eze 40:16
Eze 40:25
□Eze 42:5

*1Kl 6:15
2Ch 3:5

⊕Ge 3:24
Ex 25:22
1Sa 4:4
2Sa 22:11
1Kl 6:29
1Kl 7:36
2Ch 3:7
Ps 80:1
Ps 99:1
Eze 10:2
*1Kl 6:32
2Ch 3:5
Ps 92:12
Eze 40:16
Re 7:9
*Eze 1:10
Eze 10:14
Re 4:7

^a "Building," M, *bin-yan*. ^b "Separated area," M, *gis-rah*. ^c "Temple," M, *hei-khal*; LXX, *na-os*; Vg, *tem'plum*. ^d "Floor," M, *er'ets*. ^e Literally, "made," or, "wrought," M. ^f "A man," M, *a-dam*.

the wall of the building^{az} was five cubits in width, it being all around; and its length was ninety cubits.

13 And he measured the house, a hundred cubits in length; and the separated area^b and the building^{az} and its walls, a hundred cubits in length. ¹⁴ And the width of the front of the house and the separated area^b to the east was a hundred cubits.

15 And he measured the length of the building^a before the separated area^b that was behind it and its galleries[□] on this side and on that side, a hundred cubits.

Also the temple^c [and] the inner place^d and the porches of the courtyard; ¹⁶ the thresholds, and the windows with narrowing frames,[□] and the galleries[□] were round about the three of them. In front of the threshold there was paneling of wood all around,^{*} and [from] the floor^d up to the windows; and the windows were covered ones. ¹⁷ To above the entrance and as far as the inner house and on the outside and upon the whole wall all around, on the inner [house] and on the outside, there were measurements, ¹⁸ even carved^e cherubs[□] and palm-tree figures,^{*} with a palm-tree figure between a cherub and a cherub, and the cherub had two faces.^{*} ¹⁹ And the face of a man^f was toward the palm-tree figure on this side, and the face of a maned young lion was toward the palm-tree figure on that side, they being carved on the whole house all around. ²⁰ From the floor^d to above the entrance there were carved^e cherubs and palm-

tree figures, [on] the wall of the temple.^a

21 As for the temple, the doorpost was squared;^k and [in] front of the sanctuary there was an appearance like the [following] appearance:²² the wooden altar was three cubits high, and its length was two cubits,^b and it had its corner posts.ⁿ And its length and its walls were of wood. And he proceeded to speak to me: "This is the table that is before Jehovah."^r

23 And the temple^c and the sanctuary^d had two doors.²⁴ And two door leaves belonged to the doors, the two being turnable. One door had two door leaves, and the other had two door leaves.²⁵ And there were made upon them, upon the doors of the temple,^e cherubs^t and palm-tree figures,^u like those made for the walls, and there was a canopy of wood over the front of the porch outside.²⁶ And there were windows of narrowing frames^v and palm-tree figures over here and over there along the sides of the porch and the side chambers of the house and the canopies.

42 And he gradually brought me forth^y to the outer courtyard^e by the way toward the north.^z And he proceeded to bring me to the dining-room^m [block] that was in front of

^a In M the Hebrew expression for "the temple" (*ha-hei.khal'*) is marked with one of the 15 extraordinary points (15 *puncta extraordinaria*) of the Sopherim (or scribes), to be understood as a mark of criticism, and is evidently here meant to indicate that "the temple" was repeated here by mistake, because the next sentence begins with this same expression. For the first of these 15 *puncta extraordinaria* see Genesis 16:5, footnote b. ^b Here LXX adds: "and the width was two cubits." ^c "Temple." M, *hei.khal'*; LXX, *na.os'*; Vg, *tem'plum*. ^d "Sanctuary." M, *qo'desh*; LXX, *ha'gi.on*; Vg, *sanc.tu.a'ri.um*. ^e "The outer courtyard," MLXX^a VgSyT; "the inner courtyard," LXX^b.

k1K1 6:33

nEx 30:1
1K1 7:48
2Ch 4:19
Re 8:3
rEx 30:9

s1K1 6:32
2Ch 4:22

t1K1 6:29
2Ch 3:7
uEze 40:16

v1K1 6:4
Eze 40:25
Eze 41:16

yEze 40:2
Eze 41:1

zEze 40:20
Re 11:2
mEze 42:13

*Eze 41:12
Eze 41:13
Eze 41:15
Eze 42:10
Eze 42:13
□Eze 41:12
Eze 41:15
Eze 42:10

△Eze 41:10
◇2Ch 7:3
Eze 40:18

*Eze 41:16

⊙Eze 42:11

*1K1 6:8
Eze 41:6

the separated area^{a*} and that was in front of the building^b to the north. ² Before the length of a hundred cubits there was the north entrance, and the width was fifty cubits. ³ In front of the twenty [cubits] that belonged to the inner courtyard^d and in front of the pavement^o that belonged to the outer courtyard there was gallery^r opposite gallery in three [stories]. ⁴ And before the dining rooms there was a walkway ten cubits in width to the inside,^o a way of one cubit,^c and their entrances were to the north. ⁵ And as for the dining rooms, the uppermost ones were shorter, for the galleries took away from them, more than the lowest ones and than the middle ones, as regards [the] building.^b ⁶ For they were in three stories,^{*} and they had no pillars like the pillars of the courtyards. That is why more room was taken away than from the lowest ones and from the middle ones from the floor.

7 And the stone wall that was outside was close by the dining rooms toward the outer courtyard before the [other] dining rooms. Its length was fifty cubits. ⁸ For the length of the dining rooms that were toward the outer courtyard was fifty cubits, and, look! before the temple it was a hundred cubits. ⁹ And from below these dining rooms the entryway was to the east, when one comes in to them from the outer courtyard.

10 In the width of the stone wall of the courtyard toward the east, before the separated area^{am} and before the building,^b there were dining rooms.^{*} ¹¹ And there was a way before

mEze 41:10
Eze 41:12
*Eze 42:1

^a "Separated area." M, *giz.rah'*. ^b "Building." M, *bin.yan'*. ^c "A way of one cubit," MVgT; "(and) the length was a hundred cubits," LXXSy.

them like the appearance of the dining rooms that were toward the north,^k so their length was [and] so their width was; and all their exits [were alike], and their plans alike and their entrances alike.¹² And like the entrances of the dining rooms that were toward the south was the entrance at the head of the way, the way before the corresponding stone wall toward the east, when one comes in to them.ⁿ

13 And he proceeded to say to me: "The dining rooms of the north^r [and] the dining rooms of the south^s that are before the separated area,^{at} they are the holy dining rooms,^b where the priests^u who are approaching Jehovah eat the most holy things.^v There they deposit the most holy things and the grain offering and the sin offering and the guilt offering, because the place is holy.^v ¹⁴ When they, the priests, have come in, they will not also go out from the sanctuary^c to the outer courtyard, but there they will deposit their garments in which they customarily minister,^z for they are something holy. They will clothe themselves with other garments,^{*} and must approach to what has to do with the people."

15 And he finished the measurements of the inner house, and he brought me out by the way of the gate the front of which was toward the east,^o and he measured it all around.

16 He measured the eastern side^d with the measuring reed. It was five hundred reeds,^e by the measuring reed,^Δ round about.

^a "Separated area." M, *giz-rah'*. ^b Or, "the dining rooms of the sanctuary." See LXX. ^c "Sanctuary." M, *qo'desh*; LXX, *ha'gion*. ^d "Side." Literally, "wind." MT, *ru'ahh*; Vg, *ven'tus*. ^e "Reeds," MVgSyT; omitted by LXX.

kEze 42:4

nEze 42:9

rEze 42:1

sEze 42:10

tEze 41:12

Eze 41:13

Eze 41:15

Eze 42:1

Eze 42:10

uNu 16:5

De 21:5

Eze 40:46

vLe 6:16

Le 6:25

Le 7:8

Le 10:13

Le 24:9

Nu 18:10

yLe 2:3

Nu 18:9

Nu 13:5

zEx 28:40

Ex 29:8

Le 8:13

Eze 44:19

*Isa 61:10

oEze 40:6

ΔEze 40:5

Eze 42:20

Eze 45:2

17 He measured the northern side,^a five hundred reeds,^b by the measuring reed, round about.

18 The southern side^a he measured, five hundred reeds,^c by the measuring reed.

19 He went around to the western side.^d He measured five hundred reeds,^c by the measuring reed.

20 For the four sides^e he measured it. It had a wall all around,^o with a length of five hundred [reeds] and a width of five hundred [reeds],^f to make a division between what is holy^g and what is not sacred.^g

43 And he proceeded to make me go to the gate, the gate that is facing toward the east.^{*} ² And, look! the glory^h of the God^h of Israel was coming from the direction of the east,^m and his voice was like the voice of vast waters;ⁿ and the earth itself shone because of his glory.^r ³ And it was like the appearance of the vision that I had seen,^s like the vision that I saw when I came^l to bring the city to ruin;^t and there were appearances^j like the appearance^k that I saw by the river Che'bar,^u and I went falling upon my face.

oIsa 26:1

Eze 40:5

Mic 7:11

Re 21:17

*Eze 45:2

oLe 10:10

Eze 22:26

Eze 44:23

2Co 6:17

Re 21:27

*Eze 10:19

Eze 40:6

Eze 42:15

Eze 44:1

*Isa 6:3

Eze 3:23

Eze 9:3

Eze 10:18

Joh 12:41

nEze 11:23

nEze 1:24

Re 14:2

rEze 10:4

Hab 2:14

Hab 3:3

Re 18:1

Re 21:23

sEze 1:4

tJer 1:10

uEze 3:23

^a "Side." Literally, "wind." MT, *ru'ahh*; Vg, *ven'tus*. ^b "Reeds," MVgSyT; "cubits," LXX. ^c "Reeds," MVgSyT; omitted by LXX. ^d "The western side." Literally, "the wind of the sea," M; that is, the Mediterranean Sea to the west. ^e "Sides." Literally, "winds," M. ^f "Cubits," LXX. ^g "What is holy." Or, "the sanctuary." M, *haq-qo'desh*; Vg, *sanctua-rium*. ^h "God." M, *Elohim*. ⁱ "When I came." Or, possibly, "when Jehovah came"; the suffix *yōd*, which is usually understood to be the first-person, singular suffix for "I" being possibly the initial *yōd* of the Hebrew tetragrammaton for God's name and hence being the abbreviation for the name *Y'ho-wah'*. But six Hebrew manuscripts and ThVg read: "when he came." T reads: "when I prophesied for making [the city] waste away." ^j "There were appearances," M; "the vision of the chariot, that I saw," LXX. ^k Or, "vision."

4 And the glory^v of Jehovah itself came into the house by way of the gate the front of which was toward the east.^y ⁵ And a spirit^a proceeded to raise me up^z and bring me into the inner courtyard, and, look! the house had become full of the glory of Jehovah.^b ⁶ And I began to hear someone speaking to me out of the house,^q and [the] man^c himself had come to be standing beside me.⁷ And He went on to say to me:

"Son of man,^d [this is]^e the place of my throne⁶ and the place of the soles of my feet,^{*} where I shall reside in the midst of the sons of Israel to time indefinite;⁶ and no more will they, the house of Israel, defile my holy name,^{*} they and their kings, by their fornication and by the carcasses^k of their kings at their death,^f ⁸ by their putting their threshold with my threshold and their doorpost beside my doorpost, with the wall between me and them. And they defiled my holy name by their detestable things that they did, so that I went exterminating them in my anger.¹¹ ⁹ Now let them remove their fornication^r and the carcasses of their kings far from me,⁸ and I shall certainly reside in the midst of them to time indefinite.^t

10 "As for you, O son of man, inform the house of Israel about the House,^u that they may feel humiliated because of their errors,^v and they must measure the pattern.^y ¹¹ And if they actually feel humiliated because of all that they

^a "A spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^b Or, "the glory of Jehovah filled the house." ^c "Man." M, *ish*. ^d "Man." MT, *a.dam'*. ^e "This is," T; "you have seen," LXX; but M has only the particle that is the sign of the accusative case for the next word. ^f "At their death," about 20 Hebrew manuscripts and editions, ThT; "their high places," M; "in the midst of them," LXX.

vEze 10:19

yEze 44:2

zIKi 18:12

Eze 3:12

Eze 8:3

Eze 11:24

*Ex 40:34

1Ki 8:10

2Ch 5:14

Isa 6:4

Eze 44:4

Le 1:1

Isa 66:6

Re 16:1

AEze 40:3

Ps 47:8

Isa 6:1

Jer 3:17

Jer 14:21

Jer 17:12

Eze 1:26

*1Ch 28:2

Ps 99:5

Isa 66:1

Mt 5:35

Ex 29:45

Le 26:12

Ps 68:16

Re 21:3

*Eze 39:7

kJer 16:18

#2Ki 21:18

nDe 28:21

Jer 5:3

rHo 2:2

s2Ki 21:26

tEze 37:26

uEze 40:4

vEze 16:63

yEx 25:40

1Ch 28:11

1Ch 28:19

zEze 44:5
Heb 8:5*Eze 11:20
Eze 36:27
Joh 13:17Ps 93:5
Eze 40:2
Eze 42:20
Joe 3:17
Zec 14:20AEze 27:1
2Ch 4:1
Eze 40:5*Ex 27:2
Le 9:9
1Ki 2:28
Ps 118:27
2Ch 4:1
*Ex 38:1

#1Ki 18:32

kEx 20:26
Eze 8:16

have done, the ground plan of the House,^z and its arrangement and its exits and its entryways, and all its ground plans and all its specifications, and all its ground plans and all its laws do you make known to them and write before their eyes, in order that they may observe all its ground plan and all its specifications and may actually carry them out.¹² This is the law of the House. On the top of the mountain its entire territory all around is something most holy.^q Look! This is the law of the House.

13 "And these are the measurements of the altar in cubits,⁴ a cubit being a cubit and a hand-breadth.^a And [its] bottom^b is a cubit. And a cubit is the width. And its border is upon its lip round about, one span. And this is the base of the altar.¹⁴ And from the bottom on the floor to the lower surrounding ledge there are two cubits, and the width is one cubit. And from the small surrounding ledge to the big surrounding ledge there are four cubits, and [its] width is a cubit.¹⁵ And the altar hearth is four cubits, and out from the altar hearth and upward there are the four horns.^{*} ¹⁶ And the altar hearth is twelve [cubits] in length, with twelve [cubits] of width,⁹ squared on its four sides.^{*} ¹⁷ And the surrounding ledge is fourteen [cubits] in length, with fourteen [cubits] of width, on its four sides; and the border surrounding it is half a cubit, and its bottom is a cubit round about.⁸

"And its^c steps are facing east."^k

18 And he proceeded to say to me: "Son of

^a See Ezekiel 40:5, footnote f. ^b Or, "blood channel," or, "molding." ^c "Its"; in the masculine gender, to refer to the altar.

man, this is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, "These are the statutes of the altar^o on the day of its being made, in order to offer upon it whole burnt offeringsⁿ and to sprinkle upon it blood.^r"

19 "And you must give to the Levitical priests,^s who are of the offspring^b of Za'dok,^t the ones approaching me,^u is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^c 'to minister to me, a young bull, the son of [the] herd, as a sin offering.^v 20 And you must take some of its blood and put [it] upon its four horns and upon the four corners of the surrounding ledge and upon the border round about and purify it from sin^y and make atonement for it.^z 21 And you must take the young bull, the sin offering, and one must burn it in the appointed place of the House, outside the sanctuary.* 22 And on the second day you will bring near a buck of the goats,^o a sound one, as a sin offering; and they must purify the altar from sin the same as they purified [it] from sin with the young bull."

23 "On your making an end of the purifying from sin you will bring near a young bull, the son of [the] herd, a sound one, and a ram from the flock, a sound one.^q 24 And you must bring them near before Jehovah, and the priests must throw salt upon them^a and offer them up as a whole burnt offering to Jehovah. 25 For seven days you will render up a he-goat as a sin offer-

^a "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXX, "Jehovah the God of Israel"; Vg, *Do'minus Deus*; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; T, "Jehovah God"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. ^b Literally, "seed," M. ^c "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXX-VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*.

oHo 8:11

nEx 40:29

rLe 1:5

Le 8:19

Eze 45:19

Heb 9:21

sIsa 61:6

Jer 33:18

tEze 40:46

uNu 16:40

vEx 29:10

Le 8:14

2Co 5:21

Heb 7:27

yEx 29:36

Le 4:25

Le 8:15

Le 9:9

zLe 16:18

Heb 9:23

*Ex 29:14

Le 4:12

Le 8:17

Heb 13:11

oMt 25:32

oEx 29:15

Le 8:18

Isa 53:6

1Pe 1:19

Le 2:13

Nu 18:19

2Ch 13:5

Mt 5:13

oEx 29:35

*Le 8:34

oLe 8:22

*Le 9:1

*Le 1:3

oAm 5:22

kLe 3:1

nJob 42:8

Eze 20:40

Ro 12:1

1Pe 2:5

rEze 43:1

sEze 46:1

tEx 24:10

Isa 6:1

Eze 43:2

uEze 34:24

Eze 37:25

Zec 6:12

Ac 5:31

vGe 31:54

De 12:7

yEze 40:9

Eze 46:2

Eze 46:8

zIsa 6:3

Eze 3:23

Eze 10:4

*Ge 17:3

Ps 89:7

Eze 1:28

oDe 32:46

2Ch 11:16

Pr 24:32

Eze 40:4

ing for the day;^o and a young bull, the son of [the] herd, and a ram out of the flock, perfect ones, they will render up. 26 For seven days they will make atonement^r for the altar, and they must purify it and install it.^a 27 And they will complete the days. And it must occur on the eighth day^r and from then on that the priests will render upon the altar the whole burnt offerings of you people^s and your communion^o offerings;^k and I shall certainly take delight in you,ⁿ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

44 And he proceeded to bring me back by way of the gate of the sanctuary,^b the outer one facing east,^r and it was shut.^s 2 Then Jehovah said to me: "As regards this gate, shut is how it will continue. It will not be opened, and no mere man^c will come in by it; for Jehovah himself, the God^d of Israel,^t has come in by it, and it must continue shut. 3 However, the chieftain^u—as chieftain he himself will sit in it, in order to eat bread before Jehovah.^v By way of the porch of the gate he will come in, and by way of it he will go out."^y

4 And he proceeded to bring me by way of the north gate to before the house, that I might see, and, look! the glory of Jehovah had filled the house of Jehovah.^z And I went falling on my face.* 5 Then Jehovah said to me: "Son of man, set your heart^q and see with your eyes, and with your ears hear all that I am speaking with you regarding all the statutes of the house of Jehovah and regarding all its laws, and you

^a "Install it." Literally, "fill its hand," M. Compare 2 Chronicles 13:9, footnote b. ^b "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash'*. ^c "Man." M, *ish*. ^d "God." M, *El.o.him'*.

must set your heart upon the entryway of the house with all the exits of the sanctuary.^a ⁶ And you must say to Rebelliousness,^b to the house of Israel, "This is what the Lord Jehovah^c has said: "That is enough of YOU because of all YOUR detestable things, O house of Israel,^d by YOUR bringing in the foreigners^d uncircumcised in heart^e and uncircumcised in flesh, in order to get to be in my sanctuary,^a in order to profane it, even my house; by YOUR bringing near my bread,^e fat^e and blood,^e while they keep breaking my covenant on account of all YOUR detestable things.^k ⁸ Neither have YOU taken care of the obligation of my holy things,ⁿ nor would YOU post [others] as caretakers of my obligation in my sanctuary^a for yourselves." ⁹

"This is what the Lord Jehovah^c has said: "No foreigner^e at all, uncircumcised in heart and uncircumcised in flesh, may come into my sanctuary,^a that is, any foreigner^e who is in the midst of the sons of Israel." ¹⁰

"But as for the Levites who got far away from me when Israel,^t who wandered away from me, wandered after their dungy idols, they must also bear their error.^u ¹¹ And in my sanctuary^a they must become ministers at posts of oversight^m over the gates of the house and ministers at the house.^v They themselves will slaughter the whole burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people,^y and they themselves will stand before them to minister to them.^z ¹² For the reason that they kept ministering to

^a "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash*. ^b "Rebelliousness," M; "the rebellious house," LXX; "the rebellious people," T. ^c See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^d Literally, "sons of foreignness [or, of a foreign country]," M. ^e Compare verse 7, footnote d.

them before their dungy idols^{*} and became to the house of Israel a stumbling block into error,^q that is why I have raised my hand against them,^r is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^a and they must bear their error. ¹³ And they will not approach to me to act as priest to me or to approach to any holy things of mine, to the most holy things,^s and they must bear their humiliation and their detestable things that they did.^{*} ¹⁴ And I shall certainly make them caretakers of the obligation of the house, as regards all its service and as regards all that should be done in it.¹⁵

"And as for the Levitical priests,^{*} the sons of Za'dok,^u who took care of the obligation of my sanctuary^b when the sons of Israel wandered away from me,^k they themselves will come near to me to minister to me, and they must stand before meⁿ to present to me fat^r and the blood,^s is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^a ¹⁶ They are the ones that will come into my sanctuary,^{bt} and they themselves will come near to my table to minister to me,^u and they must take care of the obligation to me.^v

"And it must occur that when they come into the gates of the inner courtyard, linen garments are what they should wear, and no wool should come up on them when they minister in the gates of the inner courtyard and inside.^y ¹⁸ Linen headgears are what should prove to be on their head,^z and linen drawers are what should prove to be upon their hips.^{*} They should not gird themselves with [what causes] sweat. ¹⁹ And when they go forth to the outer court-

^{*} See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^b "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash*.

yard, [even] to the outer courtyard to the people, they should strip off their garments in which they were ministering,^a and they must deposit them in the holy dining rooms^a and put on other garments, that they may not sanctify the people with their garments.^b ²⁰ And their head they should not shave,^c and the hair of the head they should not wear loose.^d They should by all means clip [the hair of] their heads.^e ²¹ And no wine should any priests at all drink when they come into the inner courtyard.^f ²² And no widow or divorced woman should they take for themselves as wives,^g but virgins of the offspring^a of the house of Israel^h or the widow who happens to be the widow of a priest they may take.ⁱ

²³ "And my people they should instruct in the difference between a holy thing and a common thing; and the difference between what is unclean and what is clean they should cause them to know.^j ²⁴ And in a legal case they themselves should stand in order to judge;^k with my judicial decisions they must also judge it.^l And my laws and my statutes in regard to all my festal seasons^u they should keep, and my sabbaths they should sanctify.^v ²⁵ And to a dead person^b of mankind^c he should not come in so as to become unclean, but for father or for mother or for son or for daughter [or] for brother or for a sister that has not become a husband's^d they may make themselves unclean.^e ²⁶ And after his purification, seven days they should number off for him.^f ²⁷ And on the day

^a Literally, "seed." M. ^b "A dead person." M, *mēth*; LXX, *psy.chē* ("soul"). ^c "Mankind." M, *a.dam*; LXX, *an'thro.pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*. ^d Or, "man's." M, *ish*.

Le 6:10
Eze 42:14
Aeze 42:13

Ex 30:29
Le 6:27
Le 21:5
De 14:1
Nu 6:5

1Co 11:14

Le 10:9
Lu 1:15
kLe 21:7

nLe 21:14

rLe 10:10
Eze 22:26
Mic 3:9
Mal 2:7
2Ti 2:24
sDe 17:8
tCh 23:4
2Ch 19:8
uLe 23:2
vIsa 58:13
Eze 22:26

yLe 21:2
Le 22:4
Mt 8:22
zNu 19:12
Heb 9:13

of his coming into the holy place,^a into the inner courtyard, to minister in the holy place,^a he should present his sin offering,^b is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^b

²⁸ "And it must become theirs as an inheritance:^c I am their inheritance.^d And no possession^e should you people give them in Israel: I am their possession.^f ²⁹ The grain offering and the sin offering and the guilt offering—they are the ones who will eat them.^g And every devoted thing in Israel—theirs it will become.^h ³⁰ And the first of all the first ripe fruits of everything and every contribution of everything out of all your contributions—to the priests it will come to belong;ⁱ and the first fruits of your coarse meals^j you should give to the priest, in order to cause a blessing to rest upon your house.^k ³¹ No dead body and no creature torn to pieces of the flying creatures or of the beasts should the priests eat.^l"

45 "And when you people allot the land as an inheritance,^k you should offer a contribution to Jehovah,ⁿ a holy portion out of the land;^r as to length, twenty-five thousand [cubits] in length, and as to width, ten^e thousand.^s It will be a holy portion in all its^t boundaries round about. ² From this there will prove to be for the holy place^u five hundred by five hundred, it being made square round about;^t and fifty cubits it will have as pasture ground

*Le 4:3
Le 8:14
Nu 18:20
De 10:9
De 18:1
Jos 13:14
Jos 13:33
Eze 45:4
Ge 17:8

Ale 2:3
Le 6:16
Le 7:6
1Co 9:13
Heb 13:10
Le 27:21
Nu 18:14

*Ex 23:19
Nu 18:12
Nu 18:27
De 18:4
2Ch 31:4
2Ch 31:10
Ne 10:35
Jas 1:18
Nu 15:20
De 26:10
Pr 3:9

Mal 3:10
*Ex 22:31
Le 17:15
De 14:21
kNu 34:13
Jos 13:6
Jos 14:2
Eze 47:21
nEze 48:8
rEze 48:20
sEze 48:9

tEze 42:20

^a "The holy place." M, *haq-qo'desh*; Vg, *sanc.tu.a'ri.um*. ^b See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^c "There will not be, however, for them an inheritance." Vg. ^d "Upon your house," MVGT; "upon your houses," LXXSy. ^e "Ten," MVGSyT; "twenty," LXXBA. ^f "Its." In the feminine gender, to refer to "contribution," which is feminine. ^g "The holy place." M, *haq-qo'desh*; LXX, *ha.gi'as.ma*.

on each side.^u ³ And out of this measurement you should measure the length of twenty-five thousand and the width of ten^a thousand, and in it the sanctuary^b will come to be, something most holy.^v ⁴ As a holy portion out of the land it will come to be for the priests themselves,^y the ministers^o of the sanctuary,^b those approaching to minister to Jehovah.* And for them it must prove to be a place for houses, and a sacred place^c for the sanctuary.^b

5 "There will be twenty-five thousand in length and ten^a thousand in width.^o It will become the Levites', the ministers of the house.^d As a possession they will have twenty dining rooms.^o

6 "And as the possession of the city, you people will give five thousand in width and a length of twenty-five thousand, exactly as the holy contribution.* To all the house of Israel it will come to belong.

7 "And for the chieftain^o there will be on this side and on that side of the holy contribution^o and of the possession of the city, beside the holy contribution and beside the possession of the city, something on the west side westward and something on the east side eastward. And the length will be exactly as one of the shares, from the western boundary to the eastern boundary.* ⁸ As regards the land, it will become his as a possession in Israel. And no more will my chieftains maltreat my people,^h and the land they will give to the house of Israel with respect to their tribes.^k

^a "Ten," MVgSyT; "twenty," LXX^{BA}. ^b "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash*. ^c "A sacred place." M, *miq-dash*; T, "a paved way."

uJos 21:2
1Ch 6:64

vEze 48:10

yEze 48:11

oMt 20:26

*Nu 16:5
Eze 40:46
Eze 43:19

oEze 48:10
Eze 48:13
1Co 9:13

o1Ch 9:26
Ne 10:38
Eze 40:17

*Eze 48:15

oGe 17:20

oEze 37:25
Eze 46:16

*Eze 48:21
*Pr 28:16
Isa 11:3
Isa 32:1
Isa 60:17
Jer 22:17
Jer 23:5
Eze 22:27
Eze 46:18
Mic 3:1
Zep 3:13
Jas 2:6
kJos 11:23

9 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'That is enough of you, O chieftains of Israel!'"ⁿ

"Remove violence and rapacity themselves,^r and do justice and righteousness themselves.^s Lift your expropriations^b off my people,^t is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^a ¹⁰ 'Accurate scales and an accurate e'phah and an accurate bath measure are what you men should come to have.^u ¹¹ As regards the e'phah and the bath measure, there should come to be but one quantity,^v for the bath to carry a tenth of a ho'mer^y and the tenth of the ho'mer an e'phah,^z with reference to the ho'mer, its quantity should prove to be. ¹² And the shekel^{*} is twenty gerahs.^o Twenty shekels, twenty-five shekels, fifteen shekels should prove to be the ma'neh for you.'

13 "This is the contribution that you should offer,^m the sixth part of the e'phah from the ho'mer of wheat, and the sixth part of the e'phah from the ho'mer of barley;¹⁴ and as for the allowance of the oil, there is the bath measure of the oil. The bath is a tenth of the cor. Ten baths are a ho'mer; because ten baths are a ho'mer. ¹⁵ And one sheep out of the flock, out of two hundred from the livestock^c of Israel,^d for the grain offering⁺ and for the whole burnt offering^{*} and for the communion offerings,^e in order to make atonement for them,^h is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^a

16 "As for all the people of the land,^d they will be responsible for this contribution^{*} to the

nEze 44:6
1Pe 4:3
rNe 5:10
Ps 82:2
Isa 1:17
sJer 22:3
tJob 24:2
Mic 2:2

uLe 19:36
Pr 11:1
Pr 16:11
Pr 20:10
Am 8:5
Mic 6:11
vEze 45:14
yLe 27:16
Ho 3:2
zEx 16:36
*Ex 30:13
Le 27:25
oNu 3:47

mEx 10:26
Pr 3:9

oEx 34:19
oLe 2:1
*Le 1:10
oLe 3:1
*Le 1:4
Le 6:30
Da 9:24
Ro 5:10
2Co 5:18
Eph 2:16
Col 1:21
Tit 2:14
Heb 2:17
Heb 9:22
*Ex 30:14

^a See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^b Or, "your acts of expulsion." ^c "Livestock," by a correction of M; or, possibly, "families," to agree with LXX. Literally, "well irrigated [land]," M. ^d "The people of the land." See Ezekiel 7:27, footnote f.

chieftain in Israel.^k ¹⁷ And upon the chieftain there will devolve the whole burnt offeringsⁿ and the grain offering^r and the drink offerings^s during the festivals^t and during the new moons^u and during the sabbaths,^v during all the festal seasons of the house of Israel.^v He will be the one to provide the sin offering^z and the grain offering^{*} and the whole burnt offering[□] and the communion offerings, in order to make atonement in behalf of the house of Israel.^{1A}

18 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, In the first [month], on the first [day] of the month, you should take a young bull,^o a son of the herd, a sound one,⁺ and you must purify the sanctuary^b from sin.^o ¹⁹ And the priest must take some of the blood of the sin offering and put it upon the doorpost^{cm} of the house and upon the four corners of the surrounding ledge belonging to the altar^x and upon the doorpost^e of the gate of the inner courtyard. ²⁰ And that is how you will do on the seventh [day] in the month because of the individual^d making a mistake^o and because of the inexperienced one;^k and you people must make atonement for the House.ⁿ

21 "In the first [month], on the fourteenth day of the month, there should occur for you the passover.^{or} As a festival for seven days unfermented^o cakes^e are what should be eaten.^s ²² And on that day, in his own behalf and in behalf of all the people of the land,^f the chieftain must provide a young bull as a sin offering.^t

^a See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^b "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash*; LXX, *ha'gi.on*; Vg, *sanctu.a'rium*. ^c "Doorpost." M, *m'zu.zah*. ^d Or, "the man." M, *ish*. ^e Or, "unleavened bread; yeastless bread"; M, *mats.tsôth*. ^f See verse 16, footnote d.

kPs 2:12
Isa 16:1
n1Ch 16:2
2Ch 30:24
r1Ki 8:64
sEzr 6:9
t2Ch 35:7
u2Ch 8:13
2Ch 31:3
vIsa 66:23
yLe 23:2
zLe 16:15
*Le 2:1
□Le 16:24

1ALe 3:5

oNu 28:11
+Le 22:20
Heb 7:26
oLe 16:16
Le 16:33
Eze 43:26
Heb 9:21
mEx 12:7
De 6:9

*Le 16:18
Eze 43:20

#Le 4:27
Nu 15:24
Ps 19:12
kPs 19:7
Ps 116:6
Pr 27:12
nLe 16:20
rLe 23:5
Nu 9:2
Nu 28:16
De 16:1
1Co 5:7
oMt 26:2

cGe 19:3
sEx 12:18
Le 23:6

tLe 4:14
2Co 5:21

uLe 23:8

vJob 42:8
Heb 10:8
yNu 28:15
Nu 29:5

zNu 28:15
Eze 46:5

*Le 23:34
2Ch 5:3
oNu 29:12
De 16:13
2Ch 7:8
Zec 14:16
Joh 7:2

1ALe 2:6

oEze 40:32

*Eze 44:2
oEx 20:9
*Eze 45:17
*Isa 66:23

kEze 40:33

n2Ch 23:13
2Ch 34:31

rEze 45:17

s2Ch 29:29
Mt 26:39

uPs 100:4
Lu 1:10

²³ And for the seven days of the festival^u he should provide as a whole burnt offering to Jehovah seven young bulls and seven rams, sound ones, daily for the seven days,^v and as a sin offering a buck of the goats daily.^v ²⁴ And as a grain offering an e'phah for the young bull and an e'phah for the ram he should provide, and, as regards oil, a hin to the e'phah.^z

25 "In the seventh [month], on the fifteenth day of the month, during the festival,^{*} he should provide the same as these for the seven days,^o the same as the sin offering, as the whole burnt offering, and as the grain offering and as the oil.^{1A}

46 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^a has said, 'As regards the gate of the inner courtyard that is facing east,^o it should continue shut⁺ for the six workdays,^o and on the sabbath day it should be opened,^{*} and on the day of the new moon it should be opened.[#] ² And the chieftain must come in by the way of the porch of the gate,^k from outside, and stand by the doorpost of the gate;ⁿ and the priests must render up his whole burnt offering and his communion offerings;^r and he must bow down upon the threshold of the gate,^s and he must go out, and the gate itself should not be shut until the evening. ³ And the people of the land^b must bow down at the entrance of that gate on the sabbaths and on the new moons, before Jehovah.^u

4 "And the whole burnt offering that the chieftain should present to Jehovah on the sabbath day should be six sound male lambs and a

^a See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^b "The people of the land." See Jeremiah 1:18, footnote b; Ezekiel 7:27, footnote f.

sound ram;^v and as a grain offering an e'phah for the ram,^v and for the male lambs a grain offering as he is able to give,^a and, as regards oil, a hin to the e'phah.^{* e} And on the day of the new moon² there should be a young bull, the son of the herd, a sound one, and six male lambs and a ram; sound ones they should prove to be.^{Δ 7} And an e'phah for the young bull and an e'phah for the ram he should render up as a grain offering, and for the male lambs according to what he is able to afford;^b and, as regards oil, a hin to the e'phah.⁹

8 "And when the chieftain comes in, by the way of the porch of the gate he should come in, and by the way of it he should go out.⁷ And when the people of the land^c come in before Jehovah in the festal seasons,⁶ the one coming in by the the way of the north gate^x in order to bow down should go out by the way of the south gate;⁸ and the one coming in by the way of the south gate should go out by the way of the gate to the north. No one should go back by the way of the gate by which he came in, for he^d should go out straight ahead of him.^k

¹⁰ And as regards the chieftain in their midst, when they come in, he should come in; and when they go out, he^e should go out.¹¹ And in the festivals^r and in the festal seasons^s the grain offering should prove to be an e'phah for the young bull and an e'phah for the ram, and

vNu 28:9
Eze 45:17
yNu 28:12
Eze 45:24

*Le 14:21

1Ch 23:31
2Ch 8:13
Ezr 3:5
Col 2:16

ΔEze 45:17

9Nu 28:12
Eze 45:24

*Eze 46:2

6Ex 23:14
Ex 34:23
De 16:16
*Eze 40:20

*Eze 40:24

kHeb 10:38

n1Ch 29:20
2Ch 7:4
2Ch 20:27
2Ch 29:29
2Ch 34:30
Ps 42:4
rLe 23:2
Nu 29:1
De 16:10
De 16:13
sNu 15:3

^a "As he is able to give." Literally, "as the gift of his hand," M.
^b "What he is able to afford." Literally, "what his hand may attain to [may reach]," M. See Leviticus 5:7, footnote a; 5:11, footnote a.
^c "The people of the land." See verse 3, footnote b. ^d "He," M. margin and over 100 Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; "they," M. ^e "He," 37 Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; "they," M.

tNu 28:5
Eze 45:24

uLe 1:3
Le 23:37
Nu 29:39
1K1 3:4
1Ch 29:21
2Ch 29:31
Ezr 1:4
Ezr 3:5
Eph 5:2
vLe 3:1
yEze 46:1
zEze 45:17
*Eze 46:2

□Ex 29:38
Nu 28:3
Da 8:11
ΔPs 92:2
Isa 50:4
□Le 2:1

*Nu 28:5

9Le 6:20

*Da 11:31
Heb 7:27

*Ge 25:6
2Ch 21:3
Ps 37:18

for the male lambs as he is able to give;^a and, as regards oil, a hin to the e'phah.^t

12 "And in case the chieftain should provide as a voluntary offering a whole burnt offering,^u or communion sacrifices as a voluntary offering to Jehovah,^v one must also open to him the gate that is facing east,^v and he must provide his whole burnt offering and his communion sacrifices just as he does on the sabbath day.^z And he must go out, and one must shut the gate after his going out.^{*}

13 "And a sound male lamb, in its first year,^b you^c should provide as a whole burnt offering daily to Jehovah.[□] Morning by morning you^d should provide it.^{Δ 14} And as a grain offering⁹ you^e should provide with it morning by morning the sixth of an e'phah and, as regards oil, the third of a hin for sprinkling the fine flour.⁺ The grain offering to Jehovah is an indefinitely lasting statute, constantly.^{6 15} And they must provide the male lamb and the grain offering and the oil morning by morning as a constant^f whole burnt offering.^{*}

16 "This is what the Lord Jehovah^g has said, 'In case the chieftain should give a gift to each one^h of his sons as his inheritance, it itself will become the property of his sons themselves.^{*} It is their possession by inheritance.¹⁷ And in case he should give a gift from his inheritance

^a See verse 5, footnote a. ^b Literally, "male lamb, a son of its year," M. See Leviticus 12:6; 14:10. ^c "You," MT; "he," some Hebrew manuscripts, LXXVgSy. ^d "You," MT; "he," LXXVg. ^e "You," MT; "he," LXXVgSy and two Hebrew manuscripts. ^f Or, "continual," M, *ta-mid*. Compare Daniel 8:12, 13, footnote a. ^g See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c. ^h "Each one." Literally, "a man." M, *ish*.

to one^a of his servants,^b it must also become his until the year of liberty;^c and it must return to the chieftain.ⁿ Only his inheritance—as regards his sons^d—is what should continue to belong to their own selves.¹⁸ And the chieftain should not take any of the inheritance of the people^r so as to force them out of their possession.^s From his own possession he should give his sons an inheritance, to the end that my people may not be scattered each one from his possession.^t ”

19 And he proceeded to bring me in by the entryway^m that was by the side of the gate to the holy dining rooms, those belonging to the priests, that were facing to the north,^u and, look! there was a place there on both rear sides^e to the west.²⁰ And he proceeded to say to me: “This is the place where the priests will boil the guilt offering^v and the sin offering,^y [and] where they will bake the grain offering,^z in order to carry nothing out to the outer courtyard so as to sanctify the people.”

21 And he proceeded to bring me out to the outer courtyard^d and make me pass along to the four corner posts of the courtyard, and, look! there was a courtyard by [this] corner post of the courtyard, a courtyard by [that] corner post of the courtyard.²² At the four corner posts of the courtyard there were small courtyards, forty [cubits] in length and thirty in width. The four of them with corner

^a “One.” M, *a.ihad*. ^b Or, “slaves.” M, *‘a.bu.dim*. ^c Or, “release; manumission.” See Jeremiah 34: 8 (footnote c), 15, 17 (footnote a). ^d “The inheritance of his sons,” LXXSy. ^e “On both rear sides,” M^{margin}; “in the rear of them,” M.

kEx 20:2
Le 25:10
Ps 146:7
Isa 61:1
nEze 46:2

rPs 72:4
Ps 78:72
Isa 11:4
Isa 32:1
Jer 23:5
Eze 45:8
s1K1 21:19
Eze 22:27
tEze 34:5

mEze 42:9

uEze 42:1

vEx 29:31
De 16:7
2Ch 35:13
yEze 44:23
zLe 2:4
Le 2:5
Le 2:6
*Eze 44:19

oEze 40:17

structures^a had the same measurement.²³ And there was a row round about them, round about the four of them, and there were boiling places^a made beneath the rows round about.²⁴ And he proceeded to say to me: “These are the houses of those doing the boiling, where the ministers of the House boil the sacrifice of the people.”

47 And gradually he brought me back to the entrance of the House,^{*} and, look! there was water^o going forth from under the threshold of the House eastward,^{*} for the front of the House^o was east. And the water was going down from under, from the right-hand side of the House, south of the altar.^k

2 And he gradually brought me forth by the way of the north gateⁿ and took me around by the way outside to the outer gate that is facing toward the east,^r and, look! water^s was trickling from the right-hand side.

3 When the man^b went forth eastward with a measuring line in his hand,^t he also proceeded to measure a thousand in cubits and to make

*De 16:7
1Sa 2:13

o2Ch 35:13
Eze 46:20

+Eze 41:2

oPs 46:4
Isa 55:1
Jer 2:13
Joe 3:18
Zec 13:1
Zec 14:8
*Re 22:1
*Isa 2:3
kEze 43:13

nEze 40:20

rEze 40:6
sRe 22:17

tEze 40:3
Zec 2:1
Re 11:1
Re 21:15

^a “With corner structures.” In M the Hebrew word for the expression is marked with one of the 15 extraordinary points (15 *puncta extraordinaria*) of the Sopherim (or scribes) to stigmatize this Hebrew word as spurious and hence to be omitted in pronunciation or suppressed. Regarding this, C. D. Ginsburg’s *Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible*, pages 332, 333, says: “It is now admitted by the best textual critics that the hybrid expression [*m’huq’tsa’oth*] at the end of this verse which is rendered in the Authorized Version *corners* (margin *cornered*) and in the Revised Version *in the corners*, but which is here stigmatized by the Massorites, is spurious and hence is to be elided. Its absence from the ancient recension is also attested by the Septuagint [LXX], the Syriac [Sy] and the Vulgate [Vg]. Accordingly the passage is simply to be translated: these four were of the same measure.” Compare Ezekiel 41: 20, footnote a. ^b “The man,” M, *ha-ish*.

me pass through the water,^a water [up] to the ankles.^a

4 And he continued measuring a thousand and then made me pass through the water,^v water [up] to the knees.

And he continued measuring a thousand and now made me pass through—water [up] to the hips.

5 And he continued measuring a thousand. It was a torrent that I was not able to pass through, for the water had got high, water [permitting] swimming, a torrent that would not be passed through.^v

6 And he proceeded to say to me: "Have you seen [this],^z O son of man?"

Then he had me walk and had me return^b [to] the bank^c of the torrent. ⁷When I returned, why, look! on the bank of the torrent there were very many trees,^a on this side and on that side.^d ⁸And he went on to say to me: "This water is going forth to the eastern region and must go down through the Ar'abah.^e And it must come to the sea.^f It being brought forth into the sea itself,^g [its] water^d is also actually healed.^h ⁹And it must occur that every living soul^e that swarms,^k in every place to which the double-size torrentⁱ comes,ⁿ will get life.^{gr} And it must occur that there will be very many fish,^s

^a Literally, "water of ankles," M. ^b "Had me return," MVgT; "had me sit down," Sy; but missing from LXX. ^c Or, "the desert plain." See Deuteronomy 1:1, footnote c. ^d Sy reads: "into the sea, into the stinking waters, and the waters." ^e "Living soul" M, *neph'esh khayyah*; Vg, *a'nima vi'vans*; LXX, *psyche ton zoi'on*. See Genesis 2:7, footnote b. ^f Literally, "two torrents," M. "The river," LXX; "the torrent," Vg; "the waters of the torrent," SyT. ^g Or, "will come to life"; or, "will live."

uRe 22:1

vEze 47:1

yIsa 11:9
Hab 2:14

zJer 1:11

Zec 4:2

Mt 13:51

*Eze 8:17

Eze 40:4

Eze 44:5

*2Kl 2:13

*Ge 2:9

Ps 1:3

Ps 92:12

Isa 41:19

Isa 61:3

*Re 22:2

*De 1:7

De 4:49

Jos 18:18

*Nu 34:3

Jos 3:16

*Zec 14:8

*2Kl 2:19

2Kl 2:22

kGe 1:20

nPs 78:16

rJoh 11:26

Ro 11:15

sIsa 60:5

Zec 2:11

Re 7:9

tPs 103:3

uIsa 30:26

vMt 4:19

y2Ch 20:2

zEze 26:5

*Ge 1:11

*Nu 34:6

□Isa 49:12

Re 7:9

*Heb 10:26

Re 22:11

*De 29:23

Ps 107:34

*Ps 92:12

Isa 60:21

Isa 61:3

Eze 47:7

*Ps 1:3

*Jer 17:8

*Eze 47:1

Re 22:1

kRe 22:2

nNu 34:2

rGe 48:5

1Ch 5:1

Eze 48:5

sGe 26:3

Nu 14:16

Nu 14:30

tGe 28:13

Eze 20:42

uPr 16:33

Eze 48:29

vNu 34:7

because there is where this water will certainly come, and the [sea water] will be healed,^t and everything will be alive where the torrent comes.^u

10 "And it must occur that fishers^v will certainly stand alongside it from En-ge'di^y even up to En-eg'la-im. There will come to be a drying yard for dragnets.^z In their kinds^a their fish will prove to be, like the fish of the Great Sea,^b very many.^c

11 "There are its swampy places and its marshy places, and they will not be healed.^a To salt they will certainly be given.^d

12 "And alongside the torrent there will come up, along its bank on this side and on that side, all sorts of trees for food.^e Their leafage will not wither,^g nor will their fruitage be consumed.^h In their months they will bear new fruit, because the water for them—it is coming forth from the very sanctuary.^{c*} And their fruitage must prove to be for food and their leafage for healing.^h

13 This is what the Lord Jehovah^d has said: "This is the territory that you will assign to yourselves for inheritance as the land for the twelve tribes of Israel,ⁿ with two pieces of field to Joseph.^r ¹⁴And you people must inherit it, each one the same as his brother, which [land] I raised my hand [in an oath]^s to give to your forefathers;^t and this land must fall to you [by lot] for inheritance.^u

15 "And this is the boundary of the land to the northern side, from the Great Sea^v by the

^a M, *min*; Vg, *spe'cies*. Compare Genesis 1:12, footnotes d, e.

^b That is, the Mediterranean Sea. ^c "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash*.

^d See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c.

way to Heth'lon,^y as one comes to Ze'dad,^z
¹⁶ Ha'math,^{*} Be-ro'thah,^o Sib'ra-im, which is be-
 tween the boundary of Damascus^a and the
 boundary of Ha'math; Ha'zer-hat'ti-con, which
 is toward the boundary of Ha-u-^uran'.^b ¹⁷ And the
 boundary from the sea must prove to be Ha'zar-
 e'-non,^a the boundary of Damascus and north—
 northward, and the boundary of Ha'math.^o This
 is the northern side.

18 "And the eastern side is from between
 Ha-u-^uran' and Damascus^a and between Gil'e-ad^k
 and the land of Israel;ⁿ the Jordan,^{br} from the
 boundary to the eastern sea YOU people should
 measure. This is the eastern side.

19 "And the southern^c side is to the south,^d
 from Ta'mar^s to the waters of Mer'i-bath-
 ka'desh,^t the torrent valley^u to the Great Sea.
 This is the side to the south,^d toward the
 Neg'eb.^{ev}

20 "And the western side is the Great Sea,^y
 from the boundary straight ahead to the enter-
 ing in to Ha'math.^{tz} This is the western side."

21 "And YOU must apportion this land to
 yourselves, to the twelve tribes of Israel.^{* 22} And
 it must occur that YOU should allot it for in-
 heritance to yourselves^o and to the alien resi-
 dents who are residing as aliens in YOUR midst,^a
 who have become father to sons in the midst of

^a "Ha'zar-e'-non," M; "the courtyard of Ai-nan'," LXX. ^b Possibly, parallel with the Jordan River. ^c "Southern." M, neg'eb. ^d "The south." M, tei-man'. ^e Or, "south." That is, the southern part of ancient Palestine. See Genesis 12:9, footnote c. ^f "To the entering in to Ha'math." Or, possibly, "to Le'bo-Ha'math." M, L'bo Hha-math'. See Joshua 13:5, footnote h; also *Lexicon in Veteris Testamenti Libros*, by Koehler-Baumgartner, page 470, column 2, under La-bo' (לבן).

yEze 48:1
 zNu 34:8
 oNu 13:21
 a2Sa 8:8
 aGe 14:15

oEze 47:18

*Nu 34:9

oEze 48:1

*Eze 47:16
 a2Sa 8:5
 kGe 31:23
 Nu 32:1
 Jg 10:8
 nNu 34:14
 rGe 13:10

sEze 48:28

tNu 20:13
 De 32:51
 De 33:8
 Ps 81:7
 uGe 15:18
 Jos 15:4
 iKi 8:65
 vGe 12:9
 yNu 34:6
 zJos 13:5

*Jos 13:7

oJos 14:2

aIsa 56:6
 Isa 60:7
 Isa 61:5
 Eph 2:19

oEx 12:19
 oJoh 10:16
 Re 7:15

*Ac 15:9
 Ro 10:12
 Ga 3:28
 Col 3:11

oMt 25:34

*Nu 1:5

#Eze 47:15

kNu 34:8
 nEze 47:17

rGe 30:6
 2Sa 24:2
 iKi 12:29

oGe 30:13
 sJos 19:24
 Re 7:6

oGe 30:8
 tJos 19:32
 Re 7:6

uGe 41:51
 Ge 48:14
 Jos 13:29
 Jos 17:1

vGe 48:5
 Jos 16:5
 Jos 17:17

oGe 29:32
 yGe 49:3

zGe 29:35
 Jos 15:1
 Jos 19:9
 Re 7:5

*Eze 45:1

YOU. And they must become to YOU like a na-
 tive^o among the sons of Israel.^o With YOU people
 they will fall [by lot] into an inheritance in the
 midst of the tribes of Israel.^{* 23} And it must
 occur that in the tribe with which the alien
 resident has taken up residence as an alien,
 there is where YOU should give his inheri-
 tance,"^o is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^a

48 "And these are the names of the tribes.^{*}
 From the northern extremity, on the
 side by the way of Heth'lon^{*} to the entering in
 to Ha'math,^k Ha'zar-e'-nan,ⁿ the boundary of
 Damascus northward, on the side of Ha'math;
 and it must prove to have an eastern border
 [and] the western, Dan^r one [portion]. ² And
 on the boundary of Dan, from the eastern bor-
 der to the western border, Ash'er^o one.^s ³ And
 on the boundary of Ash'er, from the eastern
 border even to the western border, Naph'ta-li^o
 one.^t ⁴ And on the boundary of Naph'ta-li, from
 the eastern border to the western border, Ma-
 nas'seh^u one. ⁵ And on the boundary of Ma-nas'-
 seh, from the eastern border to the western
 border, E'phra-im^v one. ⁶ And on the boundary
 of E'phra-im, from the eastern border even to
 the western border, Reu'ben^o one.^y ⁷ And
 on the boundary of Reu'ben, from the eastern
 border to the western border, Judah^z one. ⁸ And
 on the boundary of Judah, from the eastern
 border to the western border, the contribution
 that YOU people should contribute should prove
 to be twenty-five thousand [cubits] in width,^{*}
 and [the] length according to one of the por-
 tions from the eastern border to the western

^a See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c.

border. And the sanctuary^a must prove to be in the midst of it.²

9 "As regards the contribution that you should contribute to Jehovah, [the] length will be twenty-five thousand [cubits] and [the] width ten thousand.¹⁰ And to these there should prove to be the holy contribution for the priests,^a to the north twenty-five thousand [cubits], and to the west a width of ten thousand, and to the east a width of ten thousand, and to the south a length of twenty-five thousand. And the sanctuary^b of Jehovah must prove to be in the midst of it.¹¹ It will be for the priests, those who are sanctified from the sons of Za'dok,* who took care of the obligation toward me,¹² who did not wander away when the sons of Israel wandered away, just as the Levites wandered away.¹³ And they must come to have a contribution from the contribution of the land as something most holy,¹⁴ on the boundary of the Levites.¹⁵

13 "And the Levites should have,¹⁶ right next to the territory of the priests, twenty-five thousand [cubits] in length, and in width ten thousand; the whole length being twenty-five thousand and width being ten thousand.¹⁷ And they should not sell any of it, nor should one make an exchange,¹⁸ nor should one cause the choicest of the land to pass away [from them]; for it is something holy to Jehovah.¹⁹

15 "As regards the five thousand [cubits] that is left remaining in width alongside the twenty-five thousand, it is something common

Isa 12:6
Zec 2:11
2Co 6:16
Re 21:3

Nu 35:2
Jos 21:3
Eze 45:4
1Co 9:13

Eze 48:8

Eze 40:46
Eze 43:19
Eze 44:15
Le 8:35
Eze 40:45

2Ch 29:5
Ne 9:34
Jer 23:11
Eze 22:26
Eze 44:10
Zep 3:4
Mal 2:8
Le 27:21
kEze 45:4
nDe 12:19

rEze 45:3

sLe 27:10
Le 27:28
Le 27:33

tLe 27:21

^a "Sanctuary." M, *miq.dash'*; LXX, *ha'gi.on*; Vg, *sanc.tu.a'ri.um*.
^b "Sanctuary." M, *miq.dash'*; LXX, "mountain [of the holy things]"; Vg, *sanc.tu.a'ri.um*.

for the city,¹⁶ for a dwelling place and for pasture ground. And the city must come to be in the midst of it.¹⁷ And these are the [city's]^a measurements: the northern border four thousand five hundred [cubits], and the southern border four thousand five hundred, and the eastern border four thousand five hundred, and the western border four thousand five hundred.¹⁸ And the city must come to have a pasture ground,¹⁹ to the north two hundred and fifty [cubits], and to the south two hundred and fifty, and to the east two hundred and fifty, and to the west two hundred and fifty.

18 "And what is left remaining over in length will be exactly as the holy contribution,²⁰ ten thousand [cubits] to the east, and ten thousand to the west; and it must prove to be exactly as the holy contribution, and its produce must come to be for bread for the ones serving the city.²¹ And those who are serving the city out of all the tribes of Israel will cultivate it.²²

20 "The whole contribution is twenty-five thousand [cubits] by twenty-five thousand. A four-square part is what you people should contribute as the holy contribution with the possession of the city.²³

21 "And what is left over will belong to the chieftain,²⁴ on this side and on that side of the holy contribution and of the possession of the city,²⁵ alongside the twenty-five thousand [cubits] [of] the contribution to the eastern boundary; and on the west alongside the twenty-five thousand [cubits] to the western boundary.²⁶

^a "The [city's]." Literally, "its," M; but the pronoun is in the feminine gender, to refer to the city, which also is feminine in gender.

uEze 45:6

vEze 48:35

yNu 35:2
Jos 14:4
Eze 45:2

zEze 45:1

*2K1 25:3

1K1 4:7
Eze 45:6

AIsa 33:20
Heb 11:16
Re 21:16

Eze 34:23
Eze 37:24

*Eze 45:7

Eze 48:8

Exactly like the portions, [it will be] for the chieftain. And the holy contribution and the sanctuary^a of the house^b must prove to be in the midst of it.*

22 "And as regards the possession of the Levites and the possession of the city, in between what belongs to the chieftain it should prove to be. Between the boundary of Judah[†] and the boundary of Benjamin it should come to belong to the chieftain.

23 "And as regards the rest of the tribes, from the eastern border to the western border, Benjamin^k one [portion].²⁴ And by the boundary of Benjamin, from the eastern border to the western border, Sim'e-on^o one.²⁵ And by the boundary of Sim'e-on, from the eastern border to the western border, Is'sa-char^o one.²⁶ And by the boundary of Is'sa-char, from the eastern border to the western border, Zeb'u-lun^o one.²⁷ And by the boundary of Zeb'u-lun, from the eastern border to the western border, Gadⁱ one.²⁸ And by the boundary of Gad, to the southern^c border, it will be southward,^d and the boundary must prove to be from Ta'mar^u to the waters of Mer'ibath-ka'desh,^v to the torrent valley,^y as far as the Great Sea.^z

29 "This will be the land that you people should cause to fall [by lot] for inheritance to the tribes of Israel,* and these will be their portions,"[†] is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah.^e

30 "And these will be the outlets of the city: On the northern border, four thousand five hundred [cubits] will be [the] measurement.^Δ

*Jos 18:1
Isa 2:2
Isa 11:10
Hag 2:9
Re 21:3

†Eze 48:8

kGe 35:18
Jos 18:21
Re 7:8

oGe 29:33
nGe 49:5
Jos 19:1
Re 7:7

oGe 30:18
rGe 49:14
Jos 19:17
Re 7:7

oGe 30:20
sGe 49:13
Jos 19:10
Re 7:8

tGe 30:11
Ge 49:19
Re 7:5

uEze 47:19

vNu 20:13
De 32:51
yGe 15:18
Jos 15:4

zNu 34:6
Eze 47:15

*Nu 34:2
Nu 34:13
Jos 14:2
†Eze 47:13

ΔRe 21:16

^a "Sanctuary." M, *miq-dash'*; LXX, *ha-gi'as-ma*; Vg, *sanc-tu-a-ri-um*.

^b "House." MLXXSYT; "temple." Vg. ^c "Southern." M, *neg'eb*.

^d "Southward." M, *tei-ma'nah*. ^e See Ezekiel 43:19, footnote c.

†Isa 26:2
Isa 54:12
Isa 60:11
Re 21:12

31 "And the gates^o of the city will be according to the names of the tribes of Israel, three gates being on the north, the gate of Reu'ben, one; the gate of Judah, one; the gate of Le'vi, one.

*Re 21:13

32 "And on the eastern border there will be four thousand five hundred [cubits], and three gates,* even the gate of Joseph, one; the gate of Benjamin, one; the gate of Dan, one.

†Ne 12:31
Ne 12:37
Ne 12:39
Re 21:21
*Re 21:12
†Ge 22:14
Jer 33:16
kEx 17:15

33 "And the southern border will be four thousand five hundred [cubits] as to measurement, with three gates, the gate of Sim'e-on, one; the gate of Is'sa-char, one; the gate of Zeb'u-lun, one.^o

Jg 6:24
Ps 46:5
Ps 48:3
Ps 77:13
Ps 132:14
Isa 12:6
Isa 14:32
Isa 24:23

34 "The western border will be four thousand five hundred [cubits], there being three gates, the gate of Gad, one; the gate of Ash'er, one; the gate of Naph'ta-li, one.*

Jer 3:17
Joe 3:21
Zec 2:10
Re 22:3

35 "Round about it will be eighteen thousand [cubits]; and the name[†] of the city from [that] day on will be Jehovah Himself Is There."^{ak}

^a Or, "Jehovah-sham'mah." LXXAVg, "Jehovah [Is] There."

DANIEL^a

In the third year of the kingship of Je-hoi'-a-kim the king of Judah, Neb-u-chad-nez'zar the king of Babylon^b came to Jerusalem and proceeded to lay siege to it.* ²In time Jehovah^c gave into his hand Je-hoi'-a-kim the king of Judah^d and a part of the utensils^e of the house of The [true] God,^f so that he brought them to the land of Shi'nar^g to the house of his god;^h and the utensils he brought to the treasure house of his god.ⁱ

3 Then the king said to Ash'pe-naz his chief court-officials^j to bring some of the sons of Israel and of the royal offspring^k and of the nobles,^l ⁴children in whom there was no defect at all, but good in appearance and having insight into all wisdom^m and being acquainted with knowledge, and having discernment of what is known,ⁿ in whom also there was ability to stand in the palace of the king;^k and to teach them the writing and the tongue of the Chal-de'ans. ⁵Furthermore, to them the king ap-

^a Meaning "God [El] Is (My) Judge"; or, "God's Judge." ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSy. ^c "Jehovah," LXXVgSy and many Hebrew manuscripts^{Kennicott}; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim say that they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* ("The Lord") instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^d "The [true] God." M, *ha-El-o-him'*; LXX, *ho The.os'*; Sy, "Jehovah." ^e "The land of Shi'nar." LXX^{Rahlfs} edition, "Babylon"; Vg, *terra Sennaar*. ^f "God." M, *el-o-him'*; this is the plural number of *el-o'ah*, evidently the plural number to express grandeur, majesty, excellence. ^g Or, "eunuch," Vg; *sa.ris'*, M. ^h "The royal offspring." More literally, "the seed of the kingship," M.

n1Kl 4:22
2Kl 25:30

rGe 41:46
1Sa 16:22
1Kl 10:8

sEze 14:14
Eze 14:20
Eze 28:3
Mt 24:15
tDa 2:17

uGe 41:45
2Kl 23:34
2Kl 24:17
vDa 4:8
Da 5:12

yDa 2:49
Da 3:12

zPs 141:4

*Le 11:44
Eze 4:13

†Ge 39:21
1Kl 8:50
Ne 1:11
Ps 106:46
Pr 16:7
Ac 7:10
†Pr 29:25
†Mt 6:16

‡Ge 1:29
Ro 14:2

§Ec 7:19
Da 2:20
Da 5:11
Ac 7:22
kPr 22:29

¶De 28:49
De 32:30
2Ch 36:6
Ps 106:41
Isa 42:24
2Ch 36:7
Jer 27:19
†Ge 10:10
Ge 11:2
Isa 11:11
Zec 5:11
†Jg 16:23
1Sa 5:2
Ezr 1:7
Da 5:23
†2Kl 9:32
†2Kl 20:18
Isa 39:7
Jer 41:1
†Mt 11:19

pointed a daily allowance from the delicacies of the kingⁿ and from his drinking wine, even to nourish them for three years, that at the end of these they might stand before the king.^r

6 Now there happened to be among them some of the sons of Judah, Daniel,^s Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'a-el and Aza-ri'ah.^t ⁷And to them the principal court-official went assigning names.^u So he assigned to Daniel [the name of] Bel-teshaz'zar,^v and to Han-a-ni'ah, Sha'drach; and to Mish'a-el, Me'shach; and to Aza-ri'ah, A-bed'-ne-go.^y ⁸But Daniel determined in his heart that he would not pollute himself with the delicacies of the king and with his drinking wine.^z And he kept requesting of the principal court-official that he might not pollute himself.* ⁹Accordingly The [true] God^a gave Daniel over to loving-kindness^b and to compassion before the principal court-official.^c ¹⁰So the principal court-official said to Daniel: "I am in fear of my lord^c the king, who has appointed YOUR food and YOUR drink.^a Why, then, should he see YOUR faces dejected-looking^d in comparison with the children who are of the same age as YOURS, and [why] should YOU have to make my head guilty to the king?" ¹¹But Daniel said to the guardian whom the principal court-official had appointed over Daniel, Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'a-el and Aza-ri'ah: ¹²"Please, put your servants to the test for ten days, and let them give us some vegetables^e that we may eat and water that we may drink; ¹³and let our countenances and the coun-

^a "The [true] God." M, *ha-El-o-him'*; LXX, *ho The.os'*; Sy, "God." ^b Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^c "My lord." M, *a.do.ni'*; LXX, *ho ky'ri.os mou*; Vg, *do'minus me'us*.

tenance^o of the children who are eating the delicacies of the king appear before you, and according to what you see do with your servants."

14 And he proceeded to listen to them as regards this matter and to put them to the test for ten days. ¹⁵ And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared better and fatter in flesh than all the children who were eating the delicacies of the king.^x ¹⁶ So the guardian kept on taking away their delicacies and their drinking wine and giving them vegetables.^{*} ¹⁷ And as for these children, the four of them, to them The [true] God^a gave knowledge and insight in all writing and wisdom;^k and Daniel himself had understanding in all sorts of visions and dreams.ⁿ ¹⁸ And at the end of the days that the king had said to bring them in, the principal court-official also proceeded to bring them in before Neb-u.chad.nez'zar. ¹⁹ And the king began to speak with them, and out of them all no one was found like Daniel, Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'-ael and Az-a-ri'ah;^r and they continued to stand before the king.^s ²⁰ And as regards every matter of wisdom [and] understanding that the king inquired about from them,^t he even got to find them ten^u times better than all the magic-practicing priests^v [and] the conjurers^v that were in all his royal realm. ²¹ And Daniel continued on until the first year of Cy'rus^b the king.^z

^a "The [true] God." M, *ha-El-o-him'*; LXX *Rahlf's*, "the Lord"; Vg, *De'us*; Sy, "God." The title *El-o-him'* is preceded by the article *ha* ("the") for emphasis. ^b *Kho'resh*, MSy; *Ky'ros*, LXX; *Cy'rus*, Vg. The name's meaning is now in doubt. The name is probably E'lamite; in which case the old Grecian derivation connecting it with *khōr* ("the sun") in Persian is to be rejected.

^oGe 4:5

^xEx 23:25
De 28:1
Ps 37:16
Pr 10:22
^{*}Da 1:12

k1K1 3:12
1K1 4:29
Ps 119:98
Pr 2:6
Ec 2:26
Isa 28:26
Ac 7:22
nGe 41:12
Nu 12:6
Da 4:9
Da 5:11

rDa 1:6

^sGe 41:46
Pr 22:29

t1K1 4:29
Ps 119:99
uGe 31:7
Nu 14:22
Ne 4:12
vGe 41:8
Ex 7:11
yDa 2:2
Da 4:7
Da 5:7
zDa 6:28
Da 10:1

^{*}2Ch 36:21

^oJoe 2:28
^cGe 40:5
^aGe 41:8

^oEs 6:1
Da 6:18
^{*}Da 1:20

^oIsa 8:19
Isa 19:3
Isa 47:13
Da 4:7

^{*}Ge 40:8
Ge 41:15
^{*}Ge 31:47
Ezr 4:7
Isa 36:11
k1Sa 10:24
Ne 2:3
Da 3:9
nGe 41:8
Isa 44:25

rDa 3:29

^{*}2K1 10:27
Ezr 6:11

tDa 5:7

uDa 5:17

vGe 41:16

2 And in the second year of the kingship of Neb-u.chad.nez'zar,^{*} Neb-u.chad.nez'zar dreamed dreams;^o and his spirit began to feel agitated,^a and his very sleep was made to be something beyond him.^o ² So the king said to call the magic-practicing priests^{*} and the conjurers and the sorcerers and the Chal-de'ans to tell the king his dreams.^o And they proceeded to come in and to stand before the king. ³ Then the king said to them: "There is a dream that I have dreamed, and my spirit is agitated to know the dream."^x ⁴ At that the Chal-de'ans spoke to the king in the Ar-a-ma'ic^a language:^{*} "O king,^b live on even for times indefinite.^k Say what the dream is to your servants, and we shall show the very interpretation."ⁿ ⁵ The king was answering and saying to the Chal-de'ans: "The word is being promulgated by me: If you men do not make the dream known to me, and its interpretation, dismembered is what you will be,^r and into public privies YOUR own houses will be turned.^s ⁶ But if the dream and its interpretation you will show, gifts and a present and much dignity you will receive on my part.^t Therefore show me the very dream and its interpretation."^u

7 They answered a second time and were saying: "Let the king say what the dream is to his servants, and we shall show its very interpretation."^v

8 The king was answering and saying: "For a fact, I am aware that time is what you men are trying to gain, forasmuch as you have per-

^a Or, "Ar-a-mae'an." M, *A-ra-mith'*; LXX, *Sy-ri-sti'*; Vg, *Sy-ri-aeae*. ^b From here onward the text of Daniel is in the Ar-a-ma'ic language down to the end of chapter 7.

ceived that the word is being promulgated by me. ⁹ For if you do not make known to me the very dream, this one^y and only sentence is upon you. But it is a lying and wrong word that you have agreed to say before me, until the time itself is changed.^z Therefore tell me the very dream, and I shall know that you can show the very interpretation of it."^a

10 The Chal-de'ans answered before the king, and they were saying: "There does not exist a man on the dry land that is able to show the matter of the king, forasmuch as no grand king or governor has asked such a thing as this of any magic-practicing priest or conjurer or Chal-de'an. ¹¹ But the thing that the king himself is asking is difficult, and nobody else exists who can show it before the king^q except the gods,^a whose own dwelling does not exist with flesh at all."^a

12 Because of this the king himself became angry and got very furious, and he said to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.^b ¹³ And the order itself went out,^{*} and the wise men were about to be killed;^c and they looked for Daniel and his companions, for them to be killed.^d

14 At that time Daniel, for his part, addressed himself with counsel and sensibleness to Ar'i-och the chief of the king's bodyguard,^{*} who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon.^{by} ¹⁵ He was answering and saying to Ar'i-och the officer of the king: "For what reason is there such a harsh order on the part of the king?" Then it was that Ar'i-och made known the matter itself to Daniel.^z ¹⁶ So Daniel

^a "Gods." M, *el.a.hin'*. ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSy. ^c Literally, "were being killed," M.

^yEs 4:11
Da 3:15

^zPr 12:19

^{*}Isa 41:23

^qGe 41:39
Ex 8:19
Mt 19:26
^aEx 8:10
2Ch 6:18

^dPs 76:10
Pr 16:14
Pr 19:12
Pr 20:2
Mt 2:16
^{*}Es 3:12
Isa 10:1
^qDa 6:12

^{*}Jer 39:9
Jer 52:12

^y2Sa 20:16

^zDa 2:9

himself went in and asked from the king that he should give him time expressly to show the very interpretation to the king.^{*}

17 After that Daniel went to his own house; and to Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'a-el and Aza-ri'ah^q his companions he made known the matter, ¹⁸ even [for them] to ask for mercies on the part of the God^a of heaven concerning this secret,^b in order that they might not destroy Daniel and his companions with the remainder of the wise men of Babylon.^c

19 Then it was that to Daniel in a night vision the secret^b was revealed.^{*} Consequently Daniel himself blessed the God^d of heaven. ²⁰ Daniel was answering and saying: "Let the name of God^e become blessed from time indefinite even to time indefinite,^{*} for wisdom and mightiness—for they belong to him."²¹ And he is changing times and seasons,^k removing kings and setting up kings,ⁿ giving wisdom to the wise ones and knowledge to those knowing discernment.^r ²² He is revealing the deep things and the concealed things,^o knowing what is in the darkness;^t and with him the light does dwell.^u ²³ To you, O God^d of my forefathers, I am giving praise and commendation,^v because wisdom and mightiness you have given to me.^y And now you have made known to me what we requested of you, for you have made known to us the very matter of the king."^z

24 Because of this Daniel himself went in to Ar'i-och,^{*} whom the king had appointed to de-

^{*}Da 1:18

^qDa 1:7
Da 3:12

^aPs 50:15
Ps 91:15
Pr 3:5
Jer 33:3
Mt 18:19
^cGe 18:28
Mal 3:18
2Pe 2:9
^{*}Nu 12:6
Job 33:15
Ps 25:14
Da 7:7
1Co 2:10
^yGe 14:20
1Ki 8:56
1Ch 29:10
Ps 41:13
Ps 72:18
Ps 113:2
^{*}1Ch 29:11
Job 12:13
Ps 147:5
Jer 32:19
kDa 7:25
Ac 1:7
nIsa 2:7
Ps 75:7
Pr 8:15
Jer 27:5
r1Ch 22:12
Jas 1:5
aJob 12:22
Jer 33:3
1Co 2:9
tPs 139:12
Heb 4:13
uPs 36:9
Ps 104:2
Jas 1:17
v1Ch 29:13
Isa 12:1
Mt 11:25
yEc 7:19
zGe 18:17
Am 8:7
Joh 15:15
^{*}Da 2:15

^a "God." M, *Elah'*; Sy, *A-la-ha*. ^b "Secret." M, *raz*; LXX, *myste'ri-on*; Vg, *myste'ri-um*. ^c "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSy. ^d "God." M, *Elah'*. ^e "God." M, *El-a-ha'*; LXX, *ho The-os'*; VgSy, "Jehovah."

stroy the wise men of Babylon.[□] He went, and this is what he said to him: "Do not destroy any wise men of Babylon. Take me in before the king, that I may show the interpretation itself to the king."

25 Then it was that Ar'i-och, in a hurry, took Daniel in before the king,[△] and this is what he said to him: "I have found an able-bodied man of the exiles[△] of Judah who can make known the interpretation itself to the king."²⁶ The king was answering and saying to Daniel, whose name was Bel-te-shaz'zar:^{*} "Are you competent enough to make known to me the dream that I beheld, and its interpretation?"²⁷ Daniel was answering before the king and saying: "The secret that the king himself is asking, the wise men, the conjurers, the magic-practicing priests [and] the astrologers themselves are unable to show to the king."²⁸ However, there exists a God^b in the heavens who is a Revealer of secrets,^{*} and he has made known to King Neb-u-chad-nez'zar what is to occur in the final part of the days.^k Your dream and the visions of your head upon your bed—this it is:

29 "As for you, O king, on your bed your own thoughts came up as regards what is to occur after this,ⁿ and the One who is the Revealer of secrets has made known to you what is to occur.³⁰ And as for me, it is not through any wisdom that exists in me more than in any others alive that this secret is revealed to me,^r except to the intent that the interpretation may be made known to the king himself and that the thoughts of your heart you may know.^s

^a Literally, "the sons of the exile," M. ^b "God," M, *Elah*.

□Da 2:12
Ac 27:21

APr 24:11

□Ne 7:6
Da 1:6
Da 6:13

*Da 1:7
Da 4:8
Da 4:19
Da 5:12
□Ge 41:15
Da 4:18
Da 5:16

*Isa 47:12

□Ge 40:8
Ps 115:3
Isa 41:22
□Ge 49:1
Isa 2:2
Jer 30:24
Da 10:14
2Ti 3:1
2Pe 3:3

nGe 41:25

rGe 41:16
Ac 3:12

sDa 2:47

tLu 4:5

uHab 1:7

vIsa 14:4
Jer 51:7

Da 2:38
Da 4:22

yDa 2:39
Da 5:28

Da 7:5
Da 8:3

zDa 2:39
Da 7:6
Da 8:5

Da 11:3
Da 2:40

Da 7:7
Da 7:19

Da 2:41
□Ps 118:22

Isa 28:16
Da 2:45

Da 7:14
Da 7:27

Zec 12:3
1Pe 2:7

Da 2:44
□Ps 1:4

Isa 17:13
□Ps 37:10

Re 20:11
□1Pe 2:8

□Ps 22:27
Isa 11:9

Isa 2:23
□Ezr 7:12

r2Ch 36:23
Jer 28:14

sDa 4:3

tJer 27:5
Da 4:21

uDa 2:32
vIsa 44:28

Isa 45:1
Da 5:28

Da 7:5
Da 8:3

Da 8:20
Da 11:2

31 "You, O king, happened to be beholding, and, look! a certain immense image.^t That image, which was large and the brightness of which was extraordinary, was standing in front of you, and its appearance was dreadful.^u ³² As regards that image, its head was of good gold,^v its breasts and its arms were of silver,^y its belly and its thighs were of copper,^z ³³ its legs were of iron,^{*} its feet were partly of iron and partly of molded clay.[□] ³⁴ You kept on looking until a stone^a was cut out^b not by hands,[△] and it struck the image on its feet of iron and of molded clay and crushed them.[□] ³⁵ At that time the iron, the molded clay, the copper, the silver and the gold were, all together, crushed and became like the chaff from the summer threshing floor,^{*} and the wind^c carried them away so that no trace at all was found of them.[□] And as for the stone^a that struck the image, it became a large mountain and filled the whole earth.[■]

36 "This is the dream, and its interpretation we shall say before the king.^k ³⁷ You, O king, the king of kings,ⁿ you to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom,^r the might, and the strength and the dignity,^s ³⁸ and into whose hand he has given, wherever the sons of mankind are dwelling, the beasts of the field and the winged creatures of the heavens,^t and whom he has made ruler over all of them, you yourself are the head of gold.^u

39 "And after you there will rise another kingdom inferior to you;^{△v} and another king-

^a "Stone." M, *eb'en*; LXX, *lith'os*; Vg, *la'pis*. ^b "Cut out," MSy; "cut out of a mountain," LXXVg. ^c "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX-Rahlfs, *a'ne-mos*; Vg, *ven'tus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^d "Inferior to you." Literally, "earthward from you," M.

dom, a third one, of copper, that will rule over the whole earth.^y

40 "And as for the fourth kingdom,^z it will prove to be strong like iron.^{*} Forasmuch as iron is crushing and grinding everything else, so, like iron that shatters, it will crush and shatter even all these.^o

41 "And whereas you beheld the feet and the toes to be partly of molded clay of a potter and partly of iron, the kingdom itself will prove to be divided, but somewhat of the hardness of iron will prove to be in it,^a forasmuch as you beheld the iron mixed with moist clay.^o 42 And as for the toes of the feet being partly of iron and partly of molded clay, the kingdom will partly prove to be strong and will partly prove to be fragile.⁴³ Whereas you beheld iron mixed with moist clay, they will come to be mixed with the offspring^a of mankind; but they will not prove to be sticking together, this one to that one, just as iron is not mixing with molded clay.

44 "And in the days of those kings^{*} the God of heaven^e will set up a kingdom that will never be brought to ruin.^{*} And the kingdom^b itself will not be passed on to any other people.^{*} It will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms,^k and it itself will stand to times indefinite,^m 45 forasmuch as you beheld that out of the mountain a stone was cut not by hands,ⁿ and [that] it crushed the iron, the copper, the molded clay, the silver and the gold.^r The grand God^{ca} himself has made known to the king what

^a Literally, "seed," M. ^b Or, "kingship." ^c "The grand God." M, *El-ah' rab*; LXX, *ho The-os' ho meg'as*.

yDa 7:6
Da 8:5
Da 10:20
Da 11:3
zDa 2:33
*Da 7:19
Da 7:23
Joh 11:48

oDa 7:7

aDa 2:33
oDa 2:34
Da 7:24

*Da 7:12
Da 7:24
eEzr 1:2
Ps 115:3
*Ge 49:10
Isa 9:6
Eze 37:25
Da 7:14
Mic 4:7
Lu 1:33
Re 11:15
*Da 4:17
Da 7:27
kPs 2:9
Ps 110:5
Isa 60:12
Da 11:45
Re 19:15
mLu 1:33
nIsa 28:16
Da 2:34
rDa 2:35
s2Sa 7:22
Ne 4:14
Ps 48:1
Ps 96:3
Jer 32:18

tGe 41:28
Re 4:1
uGe 41:32
Re 1:19

vAc 10:25
Re 19:10
yEzr 6:10

zJos 22:22
Ps 136:2
*De 10:17
Ps 136:3
oGe 41:39
Da 2:19
Da 4:9
Am 3:7
*Ge 41:40
Isa 17:25
Da 5:16
oDa 5:29
Da 6:2
Da 4:9
Da 5:11

*Pr 28:12
Da 1:17
*Es 2:19
Es 3:2
Jer 39:3
Am 5:15
*IKI 12:28
Isa 40:19
Ac 17:29

kEs 1:1
Da 2:48

nDa 6:7

rEzr 7:25
Ac 16:20

sEzr 6:16
tNu 25:2
IKI 12:32
uEzr 8:36
Es 8:9
Da 6:1

is to occur after this.^t And the dream is reliable, and the interpretation of it is trustworthy.^u

46 At that time King Neb-u.chad-nez'zar himself fell down upon his face, and to Daniel he paid homage,^v and he said to offer even a present and incense to him.^y 47 The king was answering Daniel and saying: "Truly the God^a of you men is a God of gods^{bz} and a Lord of kings^{*} and a Revealer of secrets, because you were able to reveal this secret."^o 48 Consequently the king made Daniel himself someone great,^a and many big gifts he gave to him, and he made him the ruler over all the jurisdictional district of Babylon^o and the chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon.^{*} 49 And Daniel, for his part, made a request of the king, and he appointed over the administration of the jurisdictional district of Babylon Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go,^o but Daniel was in the court^e of the king.^{*}

3 Neb-u.chad-nez'zar the king made an image of gold,^{*} the height of which was sixty cubits [and] the breadth of which was six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Du'ra in the jurisdictional district of Babylon.^k 2 And Neb-u.chad-nez'zar himself as king sent to assemble the satraps, the prefectsⁿ and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the police magistrates^r and all the administrators of the jurisdictional districts to come to the inauguration^s of the image that Neb-u.chad-nez'zar the king had set up.^t

3 At that time the satraps,^u the prefects and

^a "God." M, *El-ah'*. ^b "A God of gods." M, *El-ah' el-a-him'*. ^c Literally, "door," M.

the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the police magistrates and all the administrators of the jurisdictional districts were assembling themselves for the inauguration of the image that Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king had set up, and they were standing in front of the image that Neb-u.chad.nez'zar had set up.^v ⁴ And the herald^a was crying out loudly:^v "To you it is being said, O peoples, national groups and languages,^z that at the time that you hear the sound of the horn,^m the pipe,^{*} the zither,[□] the triangular harp,[^] the stringed instrument,[°] the bagpipe⁺ and all sorts of musical instruments, you fall down and worship the image of gold that Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king has set up. ⁶ And whoever does not fall down[°] and worship will at the same moment be thrown into the burning fiery furnace."[^] ⁷ Because of this, at the same time as all the peoples were hearing the sound of the horn, the pipe, the zither, the triangular harp, the stringed instrument and all sorts of musical instruments, all the peoples,^{*} national groups and languages were falling down [and] worshiping the image of gold that Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king had set up.

⁸ Because of this, at that same time certain Chal-de'ans^b approached and accused the Jews.^{ck} ⁹ They answered, and they were saying to Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king: "O king, live on even for times indefinite."¹⁰ You yourself, O king,

^a "Herald." M, *ka.rōz'*; not derived from the Greek noun *ke'ryx*, but from the Old Persian noun *xrausa*, meaning "caller." See Daniel 5:29, footnote k, LXX, *ke'ryx*; Vg, *prae'co*. ^b Literally, "able-bodied men, Chal-de'ans," M. ^c Or, "slandered the Jews." Literally, "ate the pieces [of flesh torn off from the bodies] of the Jews," M.

vRo 3:11
yDa 5:29

zEs 8:9
Da 4:1
Da 6:25
mPs 98:6
*Da 3:15
□Da 3:10
^Da 3:7
^1Ch 15:16
^Da 3:15

°Mt 4:9

*Jer 29:22

*Jer 51:7
Ac 14:16

kEzr 4:6
Es 3:6
Da 6:13
Ac 16:20
Ac 17:6
nNe 2:3
Da 2:4
Da 5:10
Da 6:8

set forth the command that every man that hears the sound of the horn, the pipe, the zither, the triangular harp, the stringed instrument, and the bagpipe and all sorts of musical instruments, should fall down and worship the image of gold;¹¹ and that whoever would not fall down and worship should be thrown into the burning fiery furnace.^r ¹² There exist certain Jews^a whom you appointed over the administration of the jurisdictional district of Babylon,^s Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go; these able-bodied men have paid no regard to you, O king, they are not serving your own gods,^b and the image of gold that you have set up they are not worshiping."

¹³ At that time Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, in a rage and fury,^t said to bring in Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go.^u Consequently these able-bodied men were brought in before the king.^v ¹⁴ Neb-u.chad.nez'zar was answering and saying to them: "Is it really so, O Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go, that you are not serving my own gods,^{cy} and the image of gold that I have set up you are not worshiping?"^z ¹⁵ Now if you are ready so that when you hear the sound of the horn, the pipe, the zither, the triangular harp, the stringed instrument, and the bagpipe and all sorts of musical instruments,^{*} you fall down and worship the image that I have made,[□] [all right]. But if you do not worship, at that same moment you will be thrown into the burning fiery furnace. And who is that god^d that can rescue you out of my hands?"^a

rDa 3:6

sEs 3:8
Pr 27:4
Ec 4:4
Da 2:49

t1Sa 20:30
Es 3:5
Pr 29:22
Da 2:12
uDa 1:7
vAc 5:27

yIsa 46:1
Jer 50:2
zDa 3:1

*Da 3:10

□Lu 4:7

^EX 5:2
2Kl 18:35
2Ch 32:15
Isa 36:20
Isa 37:23

^a Literally, "able-bodied men, Jews," M. ^b "Gods." M, *el.a.hin'*; LXX, *hoi the-oi'*; Vg, *di'i*. ^c "Gods." M, *el.a.hin'*. ^d "God." M, *el.ah'*.

16 Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go answered, and they were saying to the king: "O Neb.u.chad.nez'zar, we are under no necessity^d in this regard to say back a word to you." ¹⁷ If it is to be, our God^a whom we are serving is able to rescue us. Out of the burning fiery furnace and out of your hand, O king, he will rescue [us].^e ¹⁸ But if not, let it become known to you, O king, that your gods^b are not the ones we are serving, and the image of gold that you have set up we will not worship."^f

19 Then it was that Neb.u.chad.nez'zar himself got filled with fury, and the very expression of his face was changed toward Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go.^g He was answering and saying to heat up the furnace seven^k times more than it was customary to heat it up.^h ²⁰ And to certain able-bodied men of vital energy^r who were in his military force he said to bind Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go, in order to throw [them] into the burning fiery furnace.^s

21 Then it was that these able-bodied men were bound in their mantles, their garments and their caps and their other clothing and were thrown into the burning fiery furnace.²² Just because the king's word was harsh and the furnace was heated to excess, these able-bodied men that took up Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go were the ones that the fiery flame killed.^t ²³ But these [other] able-bodied men, the three of them, Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go, fell down bound in the midst of the burning fiery furnace.^{cu}

^a "God." M, *Elah*. ^b "Gods." M, *el.a.hin*. ^c Here LXXVg make a long insertion of verses, and in their verse 91 they resume rendering the Masoretic text.

Ⓛu 21:23

*Mt 10:19
Mr 13:11
Lu 12:11
Lu 21:14
Ac 5:29

Ⓛsa 17:37

Ps 27:1
Ps 121:7
Pr 18:10
Isa 12:2
Isa 26:4
Isa 54:14
Mic 7:7
Lu 1:37
2Co 1:10
Heb 7:25

*Ex 20:5
Le 19:4
Pr 26:1
Isa 51:13
Isa 51:23
Ac 5:33

kLe 26:24

r2Sa 22:40

Jer 48:14

sDa 3:15

Ac 12:4

Ac 16:23

tDa 6:24

uPs 34:19

Jer 38:6

2Co 1:8

vAc 5:23

xPs 66:12

Ps 91:3

Isa 43:2

*Job 38:7

Ps 34:7

Lu 1:35

ⓁDa 6:20

ⓁGe 14:18

Da 2:47

ⓁDa 3:2

Ac 26:26

*Isa 43:2

Heb 11:34

*Mt 10:30

Lu 21:18

Ac 27:34

*Ge 9:26

Da 2:47

Da 4:34

*2Ch 32:21

Ps 34:7

Heb 1:14

k1Ch 5:20

2Ch 20:20

Ps 22:4

2Co 1:9

nEzr 6:11

24 At that time Neb.u.chad.nez'zar the king himself became frightened and he rose up in a hurry.^v He was answering and saying to his high royal officials: "Was it not three able-bodied men that we threw bound into the midst of the fire?" They were answering and saying to the king: "Yes, O king."²⁵ He was answering and saying: "Look! I am beholding four able-bodied men walking about free in the midst of the fire,^z and there is no hurt to them, and the appearance of the fourth one is resembling a son of the gods."^a

26 Then it was that Neb.u.chad.nez'zar approached the door of the burning fiery furnace.^w He was answering and saying: "Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go, YOU servants of the Most High God,^{ba} step out and come here!" At that time Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go were stepping out from the midst of the fire.²⁷ And the satraps, the prefects and the governors and the high officials of the king that were assembled were beholding these able-bodied men,^d that the fire had had no power over their bodies,^e and not a hair of their head had been singed,^g and even their mantles had not been changed and the smell of fire itself had not come onto them.

28 Neb.u.chad.nez'zar was answering and saying: "Blessed be the God^b of Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go,^x who sent his angel^y and rescued his servants that trusted in him^k and that changed^c the very word of the kingⁿ and gave over their bodies, because they would

^a "Gods." M, *el.a.hin*; LXX, *the.os*; Sy, *al.a.hin*. Possibly, *el.a.hin* is the plural number of excellence and majesty and means "God."² ^b "God." M, *Elah*. ^c Or, "annulled."

not serve^r and would not worship any god at all except their own God.^{a,s} ²⁹ And from me an order is being put through,^t that any people, national group or language that says anything wrong against the God^a of Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go should be dismembered,^u and its house should be turned into a public privy; forasmuch as there does not exist another god^b that is able to deliver like this one."^v

30 At that time the king himself caused Sha'drach, Me'shach and A-bed'ne-go to prosper in the jurisdictional district of Babylon.^{c,v}

4 "Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king, to all the peoples, national groups and languages that are dwelling in all the earth:^z May YOUR peace grow great.^z ² The signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed with me, it has seemed good to me to declare.^z ³ How grand his signs are, and how mighty his wonders are!^a His kingdom is a kingdom to time indefinite,^o and his rulership is for generation after generation.

4 "I,^d Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, happened to be at ease^o in my house and flourishing in my palace. ⁵ There was a dream that I beheld, and it began to make me afraid.^x And there were mental images upon my bed and visions of my head that began to frighten me.^o ⁶ And from me an order was being put through to bring in before me all the wise men of Babylon, that they might make known to me the very interpretation of the dream.^k

7 "At that time the magic-practicing priests,

^a "God." M, *Elah*. ^b "God." M, *elah*. ^c MLXXVg continue chapter 3 for three more verses; Sy ends chapter 3 here. ^d MLXXVg begin chapter 4 with this verse.

rPhp 1:20

sEx 20:5
Mt 4:10
tDa 6:26

uDa 2:5

vDe 32:31
Ps 3:8
Da 6:27yPs 1:3
Ps 91:14zEs 3:12
Es 8:9
Da 3:41Ch 12:18
Da 6:25oPs 66:16
Da 3:26aDe 4:34
Ps 71:19
Da 6:27oPs 68:7
Ps 90:2
Jer 10:10

eIsa 47:8

vGe 41:1
Da 5:6

aDa 2:1

kGe 41:8
Isa 8:19
Da 2:2

the conjurers, the Chal-de'ans and the astrologers were entering; and I was saying before them what the dream was, but its interpretation they were not making known to me.ⁿ ⁸ And at last there came in before me Daniel, whose name is Bel-te-shaz'zar^r according to the name of my god^s and in whom there is the spirit^a of the holy gods;^{bt} and before him I said what the dream was, ⁹ "O Bel-te-shaz'zar the chief of the magic-practicing priests,^u because I myself well know that the spirit^a of the holy gods^b is in you^v and that there is no secret^c at all that is troubling you,^y tell [me] the visions of my dream that I have beheld and its interpretation.^z

10 "Now the visions of my head upon my bed I happened to be beholding, and, look! a tree in the midst of the earth, the height of which was immense.^z ¹¹ The tree grew up and became strong, and its very height finally reached the heavens, and it was visible^d to the extremity of the whole earth.^z ¹² Its foliage was fair, and its fruit was abundant, and there was food for all on it. Under it the beast^a of the field would seek shade,^o and on its boughs the birds of the heavens would dwell,^o and from it all flesh would feed itself.

13 "I continued beholding in the visions of my head upon my bed,^o and, look! a watcher,^{ex} even a holy one,^o coming down from the heavens themselves. ¹⁴ He was calling out loudly,^f and this is what he was saying: "CHOP the

nIsa 44:25
Jer 27:9
Da 2:7rDa 1:7
Da 5:12
sIsa 46:1tJer 50:2
tNu 11:17
Isa 63:11Da 2:11
Da 5:11
Da 5:11uDa 1:20
Da 2:48vGe 41:38
Isa 4:8
yDa 2:3

zDa 2:4

*Isa 10:33
Eze 31:3oGe 11:4
De 9:1
Mt 11:23aJer 27:6
Eze 31:6
oLa 4:20*Mt 13:32
Lu 13:19oDa 7:1
*Ps 103:20
Da 4:23aDe 33:2
Ps 89:7
Da 8:13Mt 18:10
Lu 4:34

^a "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'i-tus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^b "Gods." M, *el-ahim*. ^c "Secret." M, *raz*; LXX, *myst'e-ri-on*; Vg, *sa-cra-men'tum*. ^d Literally, "and the sight of it was," M. ^e "Watcher." M, *tir*; LXX, *eir*; LXXRahifs, *an'ge-los* ("angel"); Vg, *vi'gil*. ^f Literally, "with vital energy," M.

tree down, and CUT off its boughs.^k SHAKE off its foliage, and SCATTER its fruitage. Let the beast flee from under it, and the birds from its boughs.ⁿ ¹⁵ However, LEAVE its rootstock itself in the earth, even with a banding of iron and of copper, among the grass of the field; and with the dew of the heavens let it be wet, and with the beast let its portion be among the vegetation of the earth.^r ¹⁶ Let its heart be changed from that of mankind, and let the heart of a beast be given to it,^s and let seven times^{at} pass over it. ¹⁷ By the decree of watchers^b the thing is, and [by] the saying of holy ones the request is, to the intent that people living may know that the Most High is Ruler^c in the kingdom of mankind^{du} and that to the one whom he wants to, he gives it^v and he sets up over it even the lowliest one of mankind.^{ey}

18 "This was the dream that I myself, King Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, beheld; and you yourself, O Bel-te.shaz'zar, say what the interpretation is, forasmuch as all the [other] wise men of my kingdom are unable to make known to me the interpretation itself.² But you are competent, because the spirit^f of holy gods^g is in you."

19 "At that time Daniel himself, whose name is Bel-te.shaz'zar,² was astonished for a moment, and his very thoughts began to frighten him.⁴

^a Or, "appointed (definite) times"; or, "time periods." M, 'id.da-nin'; LXX, kai.roi' ("appointed times"); Vg, tem'po.ra. ^b "Watchers." M, 'ir'in'; LXX, eir; Vg, vi'giles. ^c Or, "ruling." ^d "Mankind." M, a.naw.sha'. ^e "Mankind." M, a.nä.shim' (plural number). The only time in the Aramaic part of Daniel. ^f "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma; Vg, spir'i.tus. ^g "Gods." M, el.a.hin'; LXX, the.os'; Vg, di'i ("gods").

kDa 5:20
Mt 3:10
Lu 3:9

nJer 51:6
Jer 51:9
Eze 31:12

rJob 14:7
Da 4:31
Da 4:33
sDa 4:32
tDa 7:25
Da 12:7
Lu 21:24
Re 12:14

uPs 9:16
Ps 83:18
Jer 16:21
Eze 25:17
Da 2:21
Da 4:34
vPs 75:7
yIsa 2:8
Zec 9:9
Mt 11:29

zGe 41:15
Isa 47:13
Da 5:8
Da 5:15
Da 2:28
Da 4:8
cDa 1:7

dDa 7:28

"The king was answering and saying, 'O Bel-te.shaz'zar, do not let the dream and the interpretation themselves frighten you.'⁶

"Bel-te.shaz'zar was answering and saying, 'O my lord,^a may the dream [apply] to those hating you, and its interpretation to your adversaries.'⁷

20 "The tree that you beheld, that grew great and became strong and the height of which finally reached the heavens and which was visible to all the earth,⁸ ²¹ and the foliage of which was fair, and the fruit of which was abundant, and on which there was food for all; under which the beasts of the field would dwell, and on the boughs of which the birds of the heavens would reside,⁹ ²² it is you, O king,¹⁰ because you have grown great and become strong, and your grandeur has grown great and reached to the heavens, and your rulership to the extremity of the earth.^k

23 "And because the king beheld a watcher,^{bn} even a holy one,¹¹ coming down from the heavens, who was also saying, "CHOP the tree down, and RUIN it. However, LEAVE its rootstock itself in the earth, but with a banding of iron and of copper, among the grass of the field, and with the dew of the heavens let it become wet, and with the beasts of the field let its portion be until seven times^c themselves pass over it,"^s ²⁴ this is the interpretation, O king, and the decree^t of the Most High is that which must befall my lord^d the king.^u ²⁵ And you they will be driving away from mankind, and with the

61Sa 3:17

*2Sa 18:32

@Eze 31:3
Eze 31:16
Da 4:10

*Da 4:12
*2Sa 12:7
Da 2:37

kDa 2:38

nDa 4:13
rDe 33:2
Ps 89:7
Da 8:13
Mt 18:10

sDa 4:16
Da 5:21
Lu 21:24

tPs 2:7
Isa 23:9
Da 4:17
uJob 34:19
Ps 107:40

^a "O my lord." M, Mä.ri'i. ^b "Watcher." M, 'ir; LXX, eir; Vg, vi'gile. ^c "Times." M, 'id.da.nin'; LXX, kai.roi'; Vg, tem'po.ra. In the plural number in each case. ^d "My lord." M, mä.ri'i.

beasts of the field your dwelling is to become,^v and the vegetation is what they will give even to you to eat just like bulls;^y and with the dew of the heavens you yourself will be getting wet, and seven times^{am} themselves will pass over you, until you know that the Most High is Ruler^b in the kingdom of mankind,^{cz} and that to the one whom he wants to he gives it.*

26 "And because they said to leave the rootstock of the tree,^q your kingdom will be sure to you after you know that the heavens are ruling.^a 27 Therefore, O king, may my counsel seem good to you,^o and remove your own sins with righteousness,^t and your iniquity by showing mercy to the poor ones.^o Maybe there will occur a lengthening of your prosperity.'"^x

28 All this befell Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king.^u

29 At the end of twelve lunar months he happened to be walking upon the royal palace of Babylon.^k 30 The king was answering and saying:ⁿ "Is not this Babylon the Great,^r that I myself have built for the royal house with the strength of my might^s and for the dignity of my majesty?"^t

31 While the word was yet in the king's mouth, there was a voice that fell from the heavens: "To you it is being said, O Neb-u.chad.nez'zar the king, 'The kingdom itself has gone away from you,^u 32 and from mankind they are driving even you away, and with the beasts of the field your dwelling will be.^v Vegetation they will give even to you to eat just like bulls, and seven times themselves will pass over you,

^a "Times." M, 'id-da-nin'; LXX, kai.roi'; Vg, tem'po-ra. In the plural number in each case. ^b Or, "ruling." ^c Or, "men." M, a-na-sha'.

vDa 4:32
Da 5:21

yPs 106:20

mDa 4:16
Lu 21:24

xPs 9:16
Ps 64:9
Ps 75:7
Ps 83:18

*Jer 27:5
Da 2:21
Da 5:21
Da 4:15

^Ps 11:4

oPs 119:46

*Pr 16:6
Pr 28:13
Isa 55:7
Eze 18:21
Mt 3:8

@Ps 41:1
Isa 58:7
Eze 18:7
Ac 10:2
*IKl 21:29
Joe 2:14

*Nu 23:19
Pr 10:24
Zec 1:6
kEc 3:11
nPs 73:8
rRe 17:5
Re 18:10
Re 18:21
sPr 16:18
Isa 26:10
tPs 49:20

uDa 5:30
Ac 12:23

vDa 4:14
Da 5:21

yIsa 37:20
Da 4:17

xDa 4:25

*Da 4:16

@Ps 121:1
Ps 123:1

^Ps 7:17
Ps 92:1

@Ps 90:2
Jer 10:10

1Ti 1:17
Re 4:11
*Ps 10:16

Ps 90:1
Mic 4:7

@Ps 39:5
Isa 40:15

*Isa 3:18
Ps 33:11
Isa 46:10

*Job 34:29
Job 42:2
Isa 43:13

1Co 10:22
kJob 9:12
Isa 45:9
Ro 9:20

n2Ch 33:13

rJob 42:12
Pr 22:4

until you know that the Most High is Ruler^a in the kingdom of mankind,^b and that to the one whom he wants to he gives it.'"^y

33 At that moment the word itself was fulfilled upon Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, and from mankind he was being driven away, and grass he began to eat just like bulls, and with the dew of the heavens his own body got to be wet, until his very hair grew big just like eagles' [feathers] and his nails like birds' [claws].^z

34 "And at the end of the days^a I, Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, lifted up to the heavens my eyes,^o and my own understanding began to return to me; and I blessed the Most High himself,^a and the One living to time indefinite I praised and glorified,^o because his rulership is a rulership to time indefinite and his kingdom is for generation after generation.^a 35 And all the inhabitants of the earth are being considered as merely nothing,^o and he is doing according to his own will^c among the army of the heavens and the inhabitants of the earth.^a And there exists no one that can check his hand^o or that can say to him, 'What have you been doing?'^k

36 "At the same time my understanding itself began to return to me, and for the dignity of my kingdom my majesty and my brightness themselves began to return to me;ⁿ and for me even my high royal officers and my grandees began eagerly searching, and I was re-established upon my own kingdom, and greatness extraordinary was added to me.^r

37 "Now I, Neb-u.chad.nez'zar, am praising

^a Or, "ruling." ^b Or, "men." M, a-na-sha'. ^c Or, "desiring." M, mits.be' (an Ar-a-ma'ie infinitive).

and exalting and glorifying the King of the heavens,^a because all his works are truth and his ways are justice,^{at} and because those who are walking in pride he is able to humiliate."^u

5 As regards Bel-shaz'zar^b the king, he made a big feast^c for a thousand of his grandees, and in front of the thousand he was drinking wine.^v ² Bel-shaz'zar, under the influence of the wine, said to bring in the vessels of gold and of silver^y that Neb-u.chad-nez'zar his father had taken away from the temple that was in Jerusalem,^z that from them the king and his grandees, his concubines and his secondary wives might drink.³ At that time they brought in the vessels of gold that they had taken away from the temple of the house of God^d that was in Jerusalem, and from them the king and his grandees, his concubines and his secondary wives drank. ⁴ They drank wine, and they praised the gods^e of gold and of silver, copper, iron, wood and stone.[□]

5 At that moment the fingers of a man's hand came forth^a and were writing in front of the lampstand upon the plaster of the wall of the palace of the king,^g and the king was behold-

sDa 4:3
Ac 17:24
tDe 32:4
Ps 33:5
Re 15:3
uEx 18:11
Job 40:11
Jas 4:6

vEs 1:3
Isa 21:5
Jer 51:39
Mr 6:21
y2Kl 24:13
2Kl 25:15
2Ch 36:10
2Ch 36:18
Ezr 1:7
Jer 27:16
Jer 52:19
Da 1:2
zJer 27:7
*Pr 20:1

□Jg 16:23
Ps 115:4
Ps 135:15
Jer 10:4
Ac 17:29
Re 9:20
*Pr 29:1
Da 4:31
*Da 5:24

^a Or, "judgment." ^b "Bel-shaz'zar." LXX, *Bal-ta'sar*; Vg, *Bal-tas-sar*; Sy, *B'lit-sha-tsar*. In the Babylonian tablet No. 38,299, in the British Museum, London, England, the name appears as "Bel-shar-usur." Says *Nabonidus and Belshazzar*, by Raymond P. Dougherty, 1929, Yale University Press, New Haven, Connecticut, in chapter XIV, entitled "The Meaning of Non-Cuneiform Allusions to Belshazzar": "Cuneiform allusions to Belshazzar have thrown so much light upon the rôle which he played that his place in history stands clearly revealed. There are many texts which indicate that Belshazzar almost equaled Nabonidus in position and prestige." ^c Literally, "bread." M, *l'hhem*. ^d "God." M, *Elah*; LXX, *ho Theos*; Sy, *Ala'ha*. ^e "Gods." M, *el-ahin*; LXX, *theoi*; Vg, *di*; Sy, *ala-hin*.

ing the back of the hand that was writing. ⁶ At that time, as regards the king, his very complexion was changed in him,^{*} and his own thoughts began to frighten him,^g and his hip joints were loosening^h and his very knees were knocking each other.ⁱ

7 The king was calling out loudly to bring in the conjurers, the Chal-de'ans and the astrologers.^k The king was answering and saying to the wise men of Babylon: "Any man that will read this writing and show me its very interpretation, with purple he will be clothed,ⁿ with a necklace of gold about his neck,^r and as the third one in the kingdom he will rule."^s

8 At that time all the wise men of the king were coming in, but they were not competent enough to read the writing itself or to make known to the king the interpretation.^t ⁹ Consequently King Bel-shaz'zar was very much frightened,^u and his complexion was changing within him; and his grandees were perplexed.^v

10 As regards the queen, because of the words of the king and his grandees she entered right into the banqueting hall. The queen answered and said: "O king, keep living even to times indefinite.^y Do not let your thoughts frighten you, nor let your complexion be changed. ¹¹ There exists a capable man in your kingdom in whom there is the spirit^a of holy gods;^b and in the days of your father illumination and insight and wisdom like the wisdom of gods^b were found in him, and King Neb-u.chad-nez'zar your father himself set him up as chief of the magic-practicing priests, the conjurers,

*Job 18:11
@Da 2:1
Da 4:5
*Ps 69:23
Isa 21:3
*Eze 7:17
Na 2:10

kGe 41:8
Isa 47:13
Da 2:2
Da 4:6

nGe 41:42
Isa 17:25
rEze 16:11

sEs 3:1
Es 10:2
Da 2:48
Da 6:2

tGe 41:8
Da 2:27
Da 4:7

uJob 18:11

vPs 48:6
Isa 13:7
Jer 6:24

yDa 3:9

*Ge 41:12
Da 2:47
Da 4:8
Da 4:18

^a "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^b "Gods." M, *el-ahin*; LXX, *theoi*; Vg, *di*.

the Chal-de'ans [and] the astrologers, [even] your father, O king;¹² forasmuch as an extraordinary spirit^a and knowledge and insight to interpret dreams^a and the explanation of riddles and the untying of knots had been found in him,^o in Daniel, whom the king himself named Bel-te-shaz'zar.* Now let Daniel himself be called, that he may show the very interpretation."

13 Accordingly Daniel himself was brought in before the king. The king was speaking up and saying to Daniel: "Are you the Daniel^o that is of the exiles^b of Judah,* whom the king my father brought out of Judah? ¹⁴ I have also heard concerning you that the spirit^a of gods^c is in you,^v and illumination and insight and wisdom extraordinary have been found in you. ¹⁵ And now there have been brought in before me the wise men [and] the conjurers, that they may read this very writing, even to make known to me its interpretation; but they are not competent enough to show the very interpretation of the word.^z ¹⁶ And I myself have heard concerning you, that you are able to furnish interpretations and to untie knots themselves.* Now, if you are able to read the writing and to make known to me its very interpretation, with purple you will be clothed, with a necklace of gold around your neck, and as the third one in the kingdom you will rule."²

17 At that time Daniel was answering and saying before the king: "Let your gifts prove to be to you yourself, and your presents do you

^a "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma; Vg, spir'i-tus. ^b Literally, "the sons of the exile," M. ^c "Gods." M, el-a-hin'; LXX, the-os'; Vg, di'i.

^oDa 2:48
Da 4:9

^aDa 6:3

^o1Ki 4:30
1Ki 10:1
Da 5:16
^aDa 1:7
Da 4:8

^oDa 1:21
Da 2:48
^aEzr 4:1
Ezr 6:16
Da 2:25
Da 6:13

^vGe 41:38
Da 4:9

^zIsa 29:10
Isa 47:12
Da 2:10
Da 5:8
^aGe 40:8

^oDa 2:6
Da 5:7
Ac 8:18

^aPs 119:46 | give to others.^a However, I shall read the writing itself to the king, and the interpretation I shall make known to him. ¹⁸ As for you, O king, the Most High God^a himself gave to Nebuchad-nez'zar your father the kingdom and the greatness and the dignity and the majesty.* ¹⁹ And because of the greatness that He gave him, all peoples, national groups and languages proved to be trembling and showing fear before him.^o Whom he happened to want to, he was killing; and whom he happened to want to, he was striking;^b and whom he happened to want to, he was exalting; and whom he happened to want to, he was humiliating.* ²⁰ But when his heart became haughty and his own spirit^c became hard, so as to act presumptuously,^h he was brought down from the throne of his kingdom, and his own dignity was taken away from him.^k ²¹ And from the sons of mankind^d he was driven away, and his very heart was made like that of a beast, and with the wild asses his dwelling was.ⁿ Vegetation they would give him to eat just like bulls, and with the dew of the heavens his own body got to be wet, until he knew that the Most High God^a is Ruler^e in the kingdom of mankind,^d and that the one whom he wants to, he sets up over it.^r

22 "And as for you, his son Bel-shaz'zar, you have not humbled your heart,^s although you knew all this.^t ²³ But against the Lord^f of the heavens you exalted yourself,^u and they brought before you even the vessels of his house;^v and

^a "The Most High God." M, El-a-ha' 'Il-la-ya'; LXX, ho The-os' ho Hyp'sis-tos. ^b Or, if derived from another verb of similar form, "letting live." ^c "Spirit." M, ru'ahh; LXX, to pneu'ma; Vg, spir'i-tus. ^d Or, "men." M, a-na-sha'. ^e Or, "ruling." ^f "The Lord." M, Ma-re'.

^aPs 119:46

^oDa 2:37
Da 4:17

^aDe 32:8
Ps 47:2
Ps 92:8

^oJer 25:9
Jer 27:5
Da 3:4
Da 4:22

^aPr 16:14
Da 2:12
Da 3:6
Da 3:29
Joh 19:11
^aEx 9:17
Pr 16:5
Isa 14:12
Jer 19:15
Da 4:30
^kIsa 47:1
Jer 13:18

ⁿDa 4:25
Da 4:32

^rEx 9:16
Ps 83:17
Eze 17:24
Da 4:17
Da 4:35

^s2Ch 33:23
2Ch 36:12
Ps 119:46
Isa 26:10
Lu 12:47
Jas 4:17
uIsa 37:23
Jer 50:29
Re 13:6
^vDa 5:3

you yourself and your grandees, your concubines and your secondary wives have been drinking wine from them, and you have praised mere gods^a of silver and of gold, copper, iron, wood and stone,^y that are beholding nothing or hearing nothing or knowing nothing;^z but the God^b in whose hand your breath^c is^d and to whom all your ways belong^e you have not glorified.^f ²⁴ Consequently from before him there was being sent the back of a hand, and this very writing was inscribed.^g ²⁵ And this is the writing that was inscribed: ME'NE, ME'NE, TE'KEL AND PAR'SIN.^h

26 "This is the interpretation of the word: ME'NE, God^b has numbered^e [the days of] your kingdom and has finished^f it."

27 "TE'KEL, you have been weighed^g in the balances and have been found deficient.^h"

28 "PE'RES, your kingdom has been dividedⁱ and given to the Medes and the Persians."^j

29 At that time Bel-shaz'zar commanded,^k and they clothed Daniel with purple, with a necklace of gold about his neck; and they heralded^k concerning him that he was to become the third ruler in the kingdom.^l

30 In that very night Bel-shaz'zar the Chal-

yJg 16:23

zPs 115:5

Ps 135:17

Isa 37:19

Isa 46:7

1Co 8:4

*Ps 104:29

Ps 146:4

Isa 42:5

Ac 17:25

Job 31:4

Ps 139:3

Pr 20:24

Ro 1:21

Da 5:5

*Isa 13:11

Jer 25:12

Jer 27:7

Jer 50:1

Jer 51:1

Job 31:6

Ps 62:9

Jer 6:30

1Co 3:13

*Ezr 1:1

Isa 21:2

Isa 45:1

Da 6:28

Da 9:1

*Da 5:7

Da 5:16

^a "Gods." M, *sl.a.hin'*. ^b "God." M, *El.ah'*; LXX, *The.os'*. ^c "Breath." M, *nish.mah'*. Compare Proverbs 20:27, footnote c. ^d Literally meaning "A mina, a mina, a shekel and half-shekels." *Par.sin'* is the plural number of *p'rēs*, meaning "a half-shekel," a division of a shekel. ^e "ME'NE, God has numbered." M, *M'ne, m'nah El.a.ha'*. ^f Or, "abandoned." ^g "TE'KEL, you have been weighed." M, *T'qil, t'qil'tah*. ^h "PE'RES, your kingdom has been divided." M, *P'rēs, p'ri.sath' mal.khu.thakh'*. ⁱ "The Persians." M, *Pa.ras'*. The word has the same three consonants as *p'rēs*. ^j Literally, "said." M. ^k Or, "proclaimed." M, *k'raz*; LXX, *ke.rys'sein*; Vg, *pre.di.ca're*. See Daniel 3:4, footnote a.

nIsa 21:9

Jer 51:11

Jer 51:31

Jer 51:39

Jer 51:57

rDa 6:1

Da 9:1

sEs 1:1

tIsa 2:30

Pr 3:16

Da 2:48

Da 5:16

Da 5:29

uEzr 8:36

Es 8:9

Da 3:2

vEzr 4:22

Es 7:4

Lu 19:23

yPr 22:29

zGe 41:38

Pr 3:35

Da 5:12

*Ps 37:12

Pr 29:27

Ec 4:4

Jer 18:18

Mt 26:4

nIsa 18:14

Lu 23:14

Php 2:15

1Pe 2:12

*Es 3:8

Joh 19:7

Ac 24:13

*Da 5:12

*Da 5:12

*Da 5:12

*Da 5:12

*Da 5:12

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de'an king was killed,^{an} ³¹ and^b Da-ri'us^c the Mede himself received the kingdom, being about sixty-two years old.^f

6 It seemed good to Da-ri'us,^g and he set up over the kingdom one hundred and twenty satraps, who were to be over the whole kingdom;^h ² and over them three high officials, of whom Daniel was one,ⁱ in order that these satraps^u might continually be giving to them the report and the king himself might not become the loser.^v ³ Then it was that this Daniel was steadily distinguishing himself^y over the high officials and the satraps, forasmuch as an extraordinary spirit^d was in him;^z and the king was intending to elevate him over all the kingdom.

4 At that time the high officials and the satraps themselves were constantly seeking to find some pretext against Daniel respecting the kingdom;^{*} but there was no pretext or corrupt thing at all that they were able to find, forasmuch as he was trustworthy and no negligence or corrupt thing at all was found in him.^q ⁵ Consequently these able-bodied men were saying: "We shall find in this Daniel no pretext at all, except we have to find [it] against him in the law of his God."^{ea}

^a On October 6-7 of 539 B.C., Gregorian calendar of today (or October 12-13, the old Julian calendar of Rome), according to the Nabunaid Chronicle. Compare *History of the Persian Empire*, by Olmstead, 1948, page 50; *Light from the Ancient Past*, by Pingree, 1946, page 190; also *Babylonian Chronology*, by Parker and Dubberstein, 1956, page 14. ^b With this verse chapter 6 begins in M, Arabic. ^c "Da-ri'us." M, *Da-rya'wesh*; understood to be a title rather than a name of rulers. The Greek historian Herodotus said it meant "Restrainer, Compeller, Commander." LXX, *Da-rei'os*; Vg, *Da-ri'us*; LXX^{Rahlfs}, *Ar.ta.xerx'es*. ^d "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'i.tus De'i*. ^e "God." M, *El.ah'*; LXX, *The.os'*; Vg, *De'us*.

6 Accordingly these high officials and satraps themselves entered in a throng to the king,^o and this is what they were saying to him: "O Da-ri'us the king, live on even for times indefinite.* All the high officials of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the high royal officers and the governors,^o have taken counsel together to establish a royal statute* and to enforce an interdict, that whoever makes a petition to any god^a or man^b for thirty days except to you, O king, should be thrown to the lions' pit.* Now, O king, may you establish the statute and sign the writing,^k in order for [it] not to be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians,ⁿ which is not annulled."^r

9 In accord with this, King Da-ri'us himself signed the writing and the interdict.^a

10 But Daniel, as soon as he knew that the writing had been signed, entered into his house, and the windows in his roof chamber being open for him toward Jerusalem,^t even three times in a day^u he was kneeling on his knees and praying^v and offering praise before his God,^{cy} as he had been regularly doing prior to this.^z ¹¹ At that time these able-bodied men themselves crowded in and found Daniel petitioning and imploring favor before his God.^c

12 Then it was that they approached and were saying before the king concerning the interdict of the king: "Is there not an interdict that you have signed that any man that asks a petition from any god or man for thirty days except from you, O king, he should be thrown

oPs 56:6

Ne 2:3
Da 2:4eDa 3:2
Da 5:2
Ps 59:3
Mt 26:4Da 3:6
Da 3:11
kEs 3:12
Es 8:10nEs 1:19
rEs 8:8

sDa 6:7

t1Ki 8:30
1Ki 8:44
2Ch 6:38
Ps 5:7
Jon 2:4
uPs 55:17
Ps 86:3
Ac 10:9
v1Ki 8:54
2Ch 6:13
Ezr 9:5
Ps 95:6
Lu 22:41
Ac 7:60
yPs 34:1
z1Th 5:17
Ps 10:9
Ps 37:32oDa 3:10
Ac 24:6eEs 1:19
Da 6:8

oDa 1:6

Da 2:25
Da 5:13eEs 3:8
Da 3:12
Ac 17:7Mr 6:26
Lu 23:15

Jer 38:9

kDa 6:7

nEs 8:8
Ps 94:20
Da 6:8
Da 6:12r2Sa 3:39
Jer 38:5
Mt 27:23sPs 37:39
Ps 91:14
Ps 118:8
Isa 41:10
Isa 43:2
Ac 27:24
2Co 1:10
tMr 15:46
uMt 27:66
Ac 12:4v2Sa 12:16
1Ki 21:27
yEc 2:8

to the lions' pit?"^o The king was answering and saying: "The matter is well established according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which is not annulled."^a ¹³ Immediately they answered, and they were saying before the king: "Daniel,^o who is of the exiles^a of Judah,* has paid no regard to you, O king, nor to the interdict that you signed, but three times in a day he is making his petition."^b ¹⁴ Consequently the king, as soon as he heard the word, it was very displeasing to him,* and toward Daniel he set [his] mind in order to rescue him; and till the setting of the sun he kept on striving to deliver him.* ¹⁵ Finally these able-bodied men themselves entered in a throng to the king, and they were saying to the king: "Take note, O king, that the law belonging to the Medes and the Persians is that any interdict^k or statute that the king himself establishes is not to be changed."ⁿ

16 Accordingly the king himself commanded,^b and they brought Daniel and threw him into the pit of the lions.^r The king was answering and saying to Daniel: "Your God^c whom you are serving with constancy, he himself will rescue you."^s ¹⁷ And a stone was brought and placed on the mouth of the pit,^t and the king sealed it with his signet ring and with the signet ring of his grandees, in order that nothing should be changed in the case of Daniel.^u

18 At that time the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting,^v and no musical instruments^d were brought in before him,^y and

^a "God." M, *el.ah'*; LXX, *the-os'*; Vg, *de'us*. ^b "Man." M, *en.ash'*.
^c "God." M, *El.ah'*.

^a Literally, "the sons of the exile," M. ^b Literally, "said," M.
^c "God." M, *El.ah'*; LXX, *ho The-os'*; Vg, *De'us*. ^d Or, "dancing girls"; or, "concubines."

his very sleep fled from him.^z ¹⁹ Finally the king himself, at dawn, proceeded to get up in the daylight, and in a hurry he went right to the lions' pit. ²⁰ And as he got near to the pit, he cried out with a sad voice even to Daniel. The king was speaking up and saying to Daniel: "O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God^a whom you are serving with constancy^b been able to rescue you from the lions?" ²¹ Immediately Daniel himself spoke even with the king: "O king, live on even to times indefinite.^a ²² My own God^c sent his angel^d and shut the mouth of the lions,^e and they have not brought me to ruin, forasmuch as before him innocence itself was found in me;^f and also before you, O king, no hurtful act have I done."^g

²³ Then it was that the king himself became very glad,^k and Daniel himself he commanded to be lifted up out of the pit. And Daniel was lifted up out of the pit, and there was no hurt at all found on him, because he had trusted in his God.ⁿ

²⁴ And the king commanded, and they brought these able-bodied men who had accused^b Daniel,^r and into the lions' pit they threw them, their sons and their wives;^s and they had not reached the bottom of the pit before the lions had got the mastery over them, and all their bones they crushed.^t

²⁵ Then it was that Da-ri'us^c the king himself wrote to all the peoples, the national groups and the tongues that are dwelling in all the earth:^u "May YOUR peace grow very much!^v

^a "God." M, Elah'; LXX, ho The-os'; Vg, De'us. ^b Or, "slandered." Literally, "had eaten the pieces [of flesh torn off from the body] of," M. ^c "Da-ri'us." LXX, Da-rei'os. See verse 1, footnote c.

^zEs 6:1
Da 2:1

*1Ch 16:11
Ps 71:14
Pr 23:17
Ge 18:14
Jer 32:17
Zec 8:6
Mt 19:26
Lu 1:37
Da 2:4
2Sa 22:17
Ps 31:14
Ps 34:7
Da 3:28
1Sa 17:37
2Ti 4:17
Heb 11:33
*Ps 26:6
*Ac 25:8
k1Ki 5:7

n2Ch 20:20
Ps 37:40
Pr 18:10

rDe 19:19
Es 7:10
Pr 11:8
sJos 7:24
Es 9:10

tPs 54:5
Isa 38:13

uEzr 1:1
Es 3:12
Es 8:9
Da 4:1
vEzr 4:17

yDa 3:29

zPs 99:1
Jer 10:10
Heb 12:29
*De 5:26
Ps 90:2
Da 4:34
Ac 17:25
*Ps 93:1
*Ps 29:10
Re 15:3
*Ps 18:48
*Ps 32:7
*Jer 32:20
Da 4:3

oDa 5:31

*2Ch 36:22
Ezr 1:1
Isa 44:28
*Jer 27:7
Da 5:1
Da 5:30
Da 8:1
kNu 12:6
Jer 23:28
Da 2:28
nIsa 8:1
Isa 30:8
Hab 2:2

rIsa 57:20
Re 17:15

sRe 13:1
tDa 7:19

uDe 28:49
Jer 48:40
La 4:19
Eze 17:3
Hab 1:8
vDa 4:30

^a Or, "rulership." M, shal-tan'. ^b "Forever." Literally, "to the end," M. ^c See verse 1, footnote c. ^d "Cy'rus." See Daniel 1: 21, footnote b. ^e "Belshaz'zar." See Daniel 5:1, footnote b. ^f "Babylon," Vg; "land of Babylonia," LXX^{Rahls}; "the Chal-de'ans," LXX; "Ba'-bel," MSy. ^g "Winds." M, ru'ahh (in plural number); LXX, a'ne-moi; Vg, ven'ti.

²⁶ From before me there has been put through an order^y that, in every dominion^a of my kingdom, people are to be trembling and fearing before the God of Daniel.^z For he is the living God and One enduring to times indefinite,^z and his kingdom is one that will not be brought to ruin,^z and his dominion^a is forever.^{b,a} ²⁷ He is rescuing and delivering^z and performing signs and wonders in the heavens and on the earth,^z for he has rescued Daniel from the paw of the lions."

²⁸ And as for this Daniel, he prospered in the kingdom of Da-ri'us^c and in the kingdom of Cy'rus^d the Persian."

7 In the first year of Belshaz'zar^e the king of Babylon,^f Daniel himself beheld a dream and visions of his head upon his bed.^k At that time he wrote down the dream itself.ⁿ The complete account of the matters he told. ² Daniel was speaking up and saying:

"I happened to be beholding in my visions during the night, and, see there! the four winds^g of the heavens were stirring up the vast sea.^r ³ And four huge beasts were coming up out of the sea,^s each one being different^t from the others.

⁴ "The first one was like a lion, and it had the wings of an eagle.^u I kept on beholding until its wings were plucked out, and it was lifted up from the earth^v and was caused to stand up on

two feet just like a man, and there was given to it the heart of a man.^y

5 "And, see there! another beast, a second one, it being like a bear.^z And on one side it was raised up,^{*} and there were three ribs in its mouth between its teeth; and this is what they were saying to it, 'Get up, eat much flesh.'[□]

6 "After this I kept on beholding, and, see there! another [beast],^a one like a leopard,^a but it had four wings of a flying creature on its back.^b And the beast had four heads,^c and there was given to it rulership indeed.

7 "After this I kept on beholding in the visions of the night, and, see there! a fourth beast, fearsome and terrible and unusually strong.^{*} And it had teeth of iron, big ones. It was devouring and crushing,^o and what was left it was treading down with its feet. And it was something different from all the [other] beasts that were prior to it, and it had ten horns.^{*} ^s I kept on considering the horns, and, look! another horn, a small one,^{*} came up in among them, and there were three of the first horns that were plucked up from before it. And, look! there were eyes like the eyes of a man in this horn, and there was a mouth speaking grandiose things.^k

9 "I kept on beholding until there were thrones^c placedⁿ and the Ancient of Days sat down.^r His clothing was white just like snow,^{*} and the hair of his head was like clean wool. His throne was flames of fire;^t its wheels^u were a burning fire.¹⁰ There was a stream of

^a "Beast," LXXSy; omitted in M. ^b "Back," Mmargin; "sides," M. ^c Or, "there was a grand throne," the Hebrew noun being probably in the plural number of majesty, grandeur and excellence.

yPs 9:20
Da 2:38

zPr 17:12
Da 2:39
*Da 5:28
Da 8:3

□Isa 13:18

ΔDa 2:39
Da 8:5
Da 10:20
Da 11:3
ΔDa 8:8
Da 11:4

*Da 2:40

□Na 2:12

*Da 2:41
Re 13:1
*Da 8:9
Re 13:11

k1Sa 2:3
Ps 12:3
Da 8:23
Re 13:5
nRe 20:4
rPs 90:2
Ps 102:25
Da 7:13
Da 7:22
Hab 1:12
Re 4:2
sPs 104:2
(Isa 6:1
uEze 1:16

vPs 50:3
Ps 97:3

yDe 33:2
1Ki 22:19
Ps 68:17
Heb 12:22
Jude 14
Re 5:11

zDa 7:25
Da 8:24

*Da 8:25
Re 19:20
Re 20:10
□Da 7:3

mAc 1:7

ΔPs 8:4

Isa 9:6

Mt 13:41

Mt 24:30

Mt 25:31

Lu 21:27

Joh 3:13

Ac 7:56

Php 2:7

Heb 2:14

Re 1:13

Re 14:14

ΔDa 7:9

Da 7:22

*Heb 12:23

Re 5:1

Re 5:5

□Ps 2:6

Ps 8:6

Ps 110:2

Mt 28:18

Lu 10:22

Lu 19:12

Joh 3:35

1Co 15:25

Eph 1:22

Php 2:9

Re 3:21

*Ps 45:6

Isa 9:7

Lu 1:33

Re 11:15

*Da 8:27

fire flowing and going out from before him.^v There were a thousand thousands that kept ministering to him, and ten thousand times ten thousand that kept standing right before him.^y The Court^a took its seat, and there were books that were opened.

11 "I kept on beholding at that time because of the sound of the grandiose words that the horn was speaking;^z I kept on beholding until the beast was killed and its body was destroyed and it was given to the burning fire.^{*} ¹² But as for the rest of the beasts,[□] their rulerships were taken away, and there was a lengthening in life given to them for a time and a season.^{bm}

13 "I kept on beholding in the visions of the night, and, see there! with the clouds of the heavens someone like a son of man^c happened to be coming;^a and to the Ancient of Days^d he gained access, and they brought him up close even before that One.^{*} ¹⁴ And to him there were given rulership and dignity and kingdom, that the peoples, national groups and languages should all serve even him.^o His rulership is an indefinitely lasting rulership that will not pass away, and his kingdom one that will not be brought to ruin.^{*}

15 "As for me, Daniel, my spirit^d was distressed within on account of it, and the very visions of my head began to frighten me.^{*} ¹⁶ I went up close to one of those who were standing, and I proceeded to request from him re-

^a More literally, "Judgment," M. ^b "For a time and a season," M, 'ad z'man w'id.dan'; LXX, he'os khro'nou kai kai.rou'; Vg, us'que ad tem'pus et tem'pus. ^c "A son of man," M, bar en-ash'. Compare ben-a-dam' in Psalm 8:4, rendered "the son of earthing man." ^d "Spirit," M, ru'ahh; LXX, pneu'ma; Vg, spir'i.tus.

liable information on all this.^k And he said to me, as he went on to make known to me the very interpretation of the matters,

17 "As for these huge beasts, because they are four,ⁿ there are four kings that will stand up from the earth.^r ¹⁸ But the holy ones^s of the Supreme One^{at} will receive the kingdom, and they will take possession of the kingdom for time indefinite, even for time indefinite upon times indefinite."

19 "Then it was that I desired to make certain concerning the fourth beast, which proved to be something different from all the others, extraordinarily fearsome, the teeth of which were of iron and the claws of which were of copper, which was devouring [and] crushing, and which was treading down even what was left with its feet;^u ²⁰ and concerning the ten horns that were on its head,^v and the other [horn]^v that came up and before which^b three fell,^z even that horn that had eyes and a mouth speaking grandiose things^z and the appearance of which was bigger than that of its fellows.

21 "I kept on beholding when that very horn made war upon the holy ones, and it was prevailing against them,^a ²² until the Ancient of Days^o came and judgment itself was given in favor of the holy ones of the Supreme One,^{as} and the definite time arrived that the holy ones took possession of the kingdom itself."

^a Or, "the Most High." M, 'Elyo-nin'; the plural number of 'el-yōn', forming with the word "holy ones" a second plural word, or else copying the pluralness of "holy ones" because of being so close to "holy ones." Evidently, however, it refers to the one "Most High," rather than indicating that the "holy ones" were most high. LXX, *Hyp'sis.tos* (singular); Vg, *De'us al-tis'si-mus* (singular); Sy, *M'rai'ma* (singular). ^b Or, "and to make way for which."

kDa 12:6

nDa 7:3

rDa 2:39
sPs 50:5
Ps 149:5
2Ti 2:12
Re 2:26
Re 3:21
Re 5:8
Re 5:10
Re 13:10
Re 19:8
tDa 7:22
Da 7:25uDa 2:40
Da 7:7
vDa 7:24

yDa 8:9

zDa 7:8

*Re 13:11

aDa 8:12
Da 8:24Da 12:7
Re 11:7oDa 7:9
Da 7:13*Mal 3:1
*Isa 63:4*Mt 19:28
Lu 22:291Co 6:2
Re 1:6Re 3:21
Re 5:10
Re 20:4

23 "This is what he said, 'As for the fourth beast, there is a fourth kingdom that will come to be on the earth, that will be different from all the [other] kingdoms; and it will devour all the earth and will trample it down and crush it.'

²⁴ And as for the ten horns, out of that kingdom there are ten kings that will rise up;^k and still another one will rise up after them, and he himself will be different from the first ones,ⁿ and three kings he will humiliate.^r ²⁵ And he will speak even words against the Most High,^{as} and he will harass continually^b the holy ones themselves of the Supreme One.^{at} And he will intend to change times^{du} and law,^v and they^e will be given into his hand for a time, and times and half a time.^{fv} ²⁶ And the Court^s itself proceeded to sit,^z and his own rulership they finally took away, in order to annihilate [him] and to destroy [him] totally.^h"

27 "And the kingdom and the rulership and the grandeur of the kingdoms under all the heavens were given to the people who are the holy ones of the Supreme One.^{io} Their^j kingdom is an indefinitely lasting kingdom,^a and all the rulerships will serve and obey even them."^j

28 "Up to this point is the end of the matter.

*Da 2:40
Da 7:7kDa 2:41
Da 7:20
Re 13:1nDa 7:8
Da 8:9
rDa 7:20sIsa 37:23
Da 7:8
Da 8:25
Re 13:11tMt 24:9
Da 7:8
Re 6:9Re 11:7
Re 13:7
Re 14:12Re 16:6
Re 17:6
Re 18:24uDa 4:23
vMt 24:14
yDa 12:7Re 11:2
Re 13:5
zDa 7:10
*Da 7:11oPs 149:9
Isa 54:3
Da 7:22Zep 3:20
Re 20:4
aMt 19:28
Lu 22:29Re 11:15
oIsa 60:12
Isa 61:5

^a "The Most High." M, 'Al-la-ya'; in the singular number; LXX, *ho Hyp'sis.tos*; Vg, *Ex.cel'sus*. ^b Or, more literally, "will wear down (or, away)," M. ^c Or, "the Most High." M, 'Elyo-nin'; as in verse 18, footnote a, in the plural number. ^d "Times." M, *zim-nin*. ^e "They," MVgSy; "all things," LXX^{Rahfs}; "it," LXX. ^f Or, "a season, and seasons and half a season." The repeated Aramaic word here is 'id-dan'. ^g More literally, "Judgment." ^h Literally, "to the end," M. ⁱ Or, "the Most High." M, 'Elyo-nin', in the plural number as in verses 18, 22, 25b; LXX, *Hyp'sis.tos*; Vg, *Al-tis'si-mus*; Sy, *M'rai'ma* (in the singular number). ^j Or, "its (it)"; referring to "the people," which is made up of the holy ones.

As for me, Daniel, my own thoughts began to frighten me very much, and my very complexion began to change in me;^a but the matter itself I kept in my own heart."^a

8 In the third year of the kingship of Belshazzar^a the king, there was a vision^c that appeared to me, even me, Daniel,^a after the one appearing to me at the start. ² And I began to see in the vision; and it came about, while I was seeing, that I was in Shu'shan^k the castle, which is in E'lamⁿ the jurisdictional district; and I proceeded to see in the vision, and I myself happened to be by the watercourse^b of U'lai.^{or} ³ When I raised my eyes, then I got to see, and, look! a ram^s standing before the watercourse,^b and it had two horns. And the two horns were tall, but the one was taller than the other,^d and the taller was the one that came up afterward.^t ⁴ I saw the ram making thrusts to the west^e and to the north and to the south,^f and no wild beasts kept standing before it, and there was no one doing any delivering out of its hand.^u And it did according to its will,^g and it put on great airs.

5 And I, for my part, kept on considering, and, look! there was a male of the goats coming from the sunset upon the surface of the whole earth,^h and it was not touching the earth.^v And as regards the he-goat, there was a conspicuous horn between its eyes.^z ⁶ And it kept coming all the way to the ram possessing the two horns,

*Da 8:17

©Lu 2:19

*Da 7:1

©Ho 12:10

*Da 7:15

Da 9:2

Da 10:7

kNe 1:1

Es 2:8

Es 3:15

Es 8:15

Es 9:11

nGe 10:22

Ge 14:1

Isa 21:2

Jer 25:25

Eze 32:24

rDa 8:16

sDa 2:39

tIsa 13:17

Isa 21:2

Isa 44:28

Jer 51:11

Da 7:5

uIsa 45:1

Jer 51:12

Da 2:39

Da 5:30

Da 7:5

Da 11:2

vDa 2:32

Da 7:3

Da 7:8

zDa 8:21

Da 11:3

which I had seen standing before the watercourse,^a and it came running toward it in its powerful rage.

7 And I saw it coming into close touch with the ram, and it began showing bitterness toward it, and it proceeded to strike down the ram and to break its two horns, and there proved to be no power in the ram to stand before it. So it threw it to the earth and trampled it down, and the ram proved to have no deliverer out of its hand.^{*}

8 And the male of the goats, for its part, put on great airs to an extreme;² but as soon as it became mighty, the great horn was broken,^a and there proceeded to come up conspicuously four instead of it, toward the four winds^b of the heavens.³

9 And out of one of them there came forth another horn, a small one,^{*} and it kept getting very much greater toward the south^c and toward the sunrising and toward the Decoration.^d ¹⁰ And it kept getting greater all the way to the army of the heavens,^{*} so that it caused some of the army and some of the stars^{*} to fall to the earth, and it went trampling them down.^k ¹¹ And all the way to the Prince of the army it put on great airs,ⁿ and from him the constant [feature]^e was taken away,^{tr} and the established place of his sanctuary was thrown down. ¹² And an army itself was gradually given

*Da 7:6

©Isa 14:13

Eze 28:2

Da 4:30

2Th 2:4

aDa 11:4

cDa 7:2

*Da 7:8

Da 7:20

©Ps 48:2

Isa 4:2

Isa 24:16

Isa 28:5

Eze 20:6

Eze 25:9

Da 11:16

Da 11:41

Da 11:45

Isa 14:13

Da 7:25

*Re 1:20

kRe 11:7

nJer 48:26

Da 5:23

Da 8:25

*Ex 29:38

Nu 28:3

Da 11:31

Da 12:11

^a Here the Ara.ma'ic that began in Daniel 2:4 ends. ^b Or, "the canal." ^c Or, "Eu.lae'us." LXX, *ho Oubal'*. ^d Literally, "the second," M. ^e Literally, "the sea," M; that is, the Mediterranean Sea to the west. ^f Or, literally, "the Neg'eb," M. ^g Or, "pleasure," M, *ra.tson'*. ^h Or, "land," M, *er'ets*.

^a Or, "the canal." LXX, *ho Oubal'*. ^b Or, "directions." M, *ru'ahh* (plural); LXX, *a'ne.mos* (plural); Vg, *ven'tus* (plural). ^c Or, "the Neg'eb." ^d Or, "the Beauty." Possibly referring to Jerusalem and its temple. Compare Daniel 11:16, 41. ^e Or, "the continual [sacrifice]." M, *hat-tamid'*; LXX, "the sacrifice"; Vg, "the continual sacrifice." ^f Or, "it took away the constant [feature]," M.

over,^s together with the constant [feature],^{at} because of transgression;^u and it kept throwing truth to the earth,^v and it acted and had success.^y

13 And I got to hear a certain holy one speaking, and another holy one proceeded to say to the particular one who was speaking:^z "How long will the vision be of the constant [feature]^a and of the transgression causing desolation,^{bo} to make both [the] holy place and [the] army a trampling place?"¹⁴ So he said to me: "Until two thousand three hundred evenings [and] mornings; and [the] holy place will certainly be brought into its right condition."^c

15 Then it came about that, while I myself, Daniel, was seeing the vision and seeking an understanding, why, look! there was standing in front of me someone in appearance like an able-bodied man.^d¹⁶ And I began to hear the voice of an earthling man in the midst of the U'lai,^e and he proceeded to call out and say: "Ga'briel,^f make that one there understand the thing seen."¹⁷ So he came beside where I was standing, but when he came I became terrified so that I fell upon my face.^k And he proceeded to say to me: "Understand,ⁿ O son of man,^{sr} that^h the vision is for the time of [the] end."¹⁸ And

^a Or, "the continual [sacrifice]." M, *hat-tamid'*; LXX, "the sacrifice"; Vg, "the continual sacrifice." ^b Or, "causing astonishment [horror]." M, *sho-mēm'*. Compare Daniel 9:27, footnote h. ^c Or, "must be justified (or, declared righteous)"; or, "must be brought into its right." ^d "An able-bodied man." M, *geb'er*. ^e Or, "Eu.lae'us." LXX, *Oubal'*; LXX^{Rahlf}, *Oulal'*; Vg, *U'lai*. ^f "Ga'briel." In Hebrew, a combination of *geb'er* ("an able-bodied man") and *El* ("God"), hence meaning "An Able-bodied One of God." ^g "Son of man." M, *ben a-dam'*. Compare Psalm 8:4; Ezekiel 2:1, footnote a; Daniel 7:13, footnote c. ^h Or, "because."

sMt 24:9
Re 11:7
Re 13:7
tPs 119:44
uPs 106:6
Isa 44:22
vIsa 59:14
yJer 12:1

z1Pe 1:12
*Re 6:10

oDa 12:11
Mt 24:15
Mr 13:14
aIsa 63:18
Da 7:25
Da 12:7
Re 11:2

oIsa 1:27
Isa 45:25
Isa 60:17

*Da 7:16

*Da 8:2

*Da 9:21
Lu 1:19
Lu 1:26

*Da 9:22

kEze 1:28
Re 19:10
nDa 9:23
rEze 2:1
sDa 11:27
Da 12:4
Hab 2:3

tDa 10:9

uEze 2:2
Da 10:10
Zec 4:1

vRe 1:1

oHab 2:3
yDa 11:27
Mt 24:3

zDa 2:39
Da 7:5
Da 8:3
Da 10:13
Da 11:2

*Da 7:6
Da 8:5
oDa 11:3

aDa 8:8
Da 11:4

oDa 7:8
Da 7:11
Da 7:25
Re 13:11
*Re 13:7

*Da 7:25
Re 11:18

*Re 13:10
Re 16:6
Re 17:6
Re 19:2

*Da 7:8
Re 13:13
kJer 48:26
nJer 22:21
Da 11:21
rJer 48:26
Da 5:23
Da 8:11

while he was speaking with me, I had become fast asleep on my face on the earth.^t So he touched me and made me stand up where I had been standing.^u¹⁹ And he went on to say: "Here I am causing you to know what will occur in the final part of the denunciation,^v because it is for the appointed^o time of [the] end.^y

20 "The ram that you saw possessing the two horns [stands for] the kings of Me'di-a and Persia.^z²¹ And the hairy he-goat [stands for] the king of Greece;^a and as for the great horn that was between its eyes, it [stands for] the first king.^o²² And that one having been broken, so that there were four that finally stood up instead of it,^a there are four kingdoms from [his]^b nation that will stand up, but not with his power.

23 "And in the final part of their kingdom, as the transgressors act to a completion, there will stand up a king fierce in countenance and understanding ambiguous sayings.^c²⁴ And his power will actually become mighty, but not by his own power.^{*} And in a wonderful way he will cause ruin, and he will certainly prove successful and do effectively.^o And he will actually bring mighty ones to ruin, also the people made up of [the] holy ones.^{*}²⁵ And according to his insight^d he will also actually cause deception to succeed in his hand.^e And in his heart he will put on great airs,^k and during a freedom from careⁿ he will bring many to ruin. And against the Prince of princes he will stand up,^r

^a "Greece." M, *Ya.wan'*; LXX, "the Hel'lēnes (or, Greeks)"; Vg, "the Greeks." ^b "His," LXXVg; "a," MSy. ^c "Ambiguous sayings." Or, "riddles; perplexing questions." ^d "According to his insight," M; "against the holy ones his thought [will be]," LXX.

but it will be without hand that he will be broken.*

26 "And the thing seen concerning the evening and the morning, which has been said, it is true.* And you, for your part, keep secret the vision, because it is yet for many days."

27 And as for me, Daniel, I felt exhausted and was made sick for [some] days.^u Then I got up and did the work of the king;^v but I kept showing myself numbed on account of the thing seen, and there was nobody understanding [it].^y

9 In the first year of Da-ri'us^z the son of A-has-ue'rus^b of the seed of the Medes,* who had been made king over the kingdom of the Chal-de'ans; ² in the first year of his reigning I myself, Daniel, discerned by the books the number of the years concerning which the word of Jehovah^c had occurred to Jeremiah the prophet,² for fulfilling the devastations of Jerusalem,⁴ [namely,] seventy years.⁵ ³ And I proceeded to set my face to Jehovah^d The [true] God,^e in order to seek [him] with prayer and with entreaties, with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.⁶ ⁴ And I began to pray to Jehovah my God and to make confession^c and to say:*

"Ah Jehovah^d The [true] God,^f the great

sDa 7:26
Re 19:20

tDa 10:14
Re 22:10

uDa 7:28
Da 10:16
vDa 2:48
Da 5:29

yDa 8:17

zDa 5:31
Da 6:1
Da 6:28
*Da 11:1

2Ch 36:21
Ezr 1:1
Jer 25:11
Jer 27:7
ApS 79:1
Isa 64:10
Jer 7:34
La 1:1
Jer 29:10
Zec 7:5
Ne 1:4
Jer 33:3
Eze 36:37
Ezr 8:21
Ps 35:13
Ps 69:10
OJoh 1:20
iKl 8:47
Mic 7:18

*Nu 14:17
kNe 1:5
nDe 7:9
rEx 34:6

sDe 5:10
tEzr 9:6
Ps 106:6
uNe 9:33

vJer 3:25
y2Kl 17:13
2Ch 36:15
Jer 7:13
Jer 29:19
Jer 44:4
Ezr 9:7
Ne 9:32
Isa 22:5
Mal 4:2

*Ezr 9:6
Ps 44:15

*Jer 2:26
Jer 3:25

*Le 26:33
De 4:27
2Kl 17:6
Isa 11:11

*Ps 106:6
Jer 14:20
La 3:42
*Ex 34:6
Ne 9:17
kNu 14:18
Ps 86:5
nNe 9:26
Ps 106:43

r2Kl 17:13
Ezr 9:10

One* and the fear-inspiring One,^k keeping the covenantⁿ and the loving-kindness^{ar} to those loving him and to those keeping his commandments,^s * we have sinnedⁱ and done wrong and acted wickedly^u and rebelled; and there has been a turning aside from your commandments and from your judicial decisions.^v ⁶ And we have not listened to your servants the prophets,^y who have spoken in your name to our kings, our princes and our forefathers and to all the people of the land.^{bo} ⁷ To you, O Jehovah,^{ca} there belongs the righteousness,^o but to us the shame of face as at this day,^g to the men^d of Judah and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to all those of Israel,* those nearby and those far away in all the lands to which you dispersed them because of their unfaithfulness with which they acted against you.⁶ ⁸ O Jehovah, to us belongs the shame of face, to our kings, to our princes and to our forefathers, because we have sinned against you.^x ⁹ To Jehovah^e our God^f belong the mercies^h and the acts of forgiveness,^k for we have rebelled against him.ⁿ ¹⁰ And we have not obeyed^g the voice of Jehovah our God^f by walking in his laws that he set before us by the hand of his servants the prophets.^r ¹¹ And all those of Israel have overstepped your law, and there has been a turning aside by not obeying

*Literally, "truth." M, *em.eth'*. ^b "A-has-ue'rus." MVgSyLXX; "Xer'xes," LXXRahlf. ^c "The word of Jehovah." See Appendix, page 421, under "Daniel 9:2—the word of Jehovah." ^d "Jehovah," many Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSy; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^e "The [true] God." M, *ha-El-o-him'*; the definite article *ha* ("the") preceding *El-o-him'* for emphasis. LXX, *ho The.os'*; Vg, *De'us*. See Daniel 1:2, footnote d; Genesis 5:22, footnote a. ^f "The [true] God." M, *ha-El*; LXX, *ho The.os'*; Vg, *De'us*. See Genesis 31:13, footnote a; 2 Samuel 22:31, footnote a.

^a Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^b "People of the land." See Ezekiel 7:27, footnote f; Jeremiah 1:18, footnote b. ^c "Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay'*; LXXSy, "Jehovah"; Vg, *Do'mi-nus*. Compare verse three, footnote d. ^d Or, "each one." M, *ish*. ^e "Jehovah," a number of Hebrew manuscripts; *A.do.nay'*, M; *ho Ky'ri.os*, LXX; *Do'mi-nus*, Vg; "Jehovah," Sy. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^f "God." M, *El-o-him'*. ^g Or, "listened to."

your voice,^a so that you poured out upon us the curse and the sworn oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of The [true] God,^a for we have sinned against Him.^{bt 12} And he proceeded to carry out his words that he had spoken against us^u and against our judges who judged us,^v by bringing upon us great calamity, such as was not done under the whole heavens as what has been done in Jerusalem.^{y 13} Just as it is written in the law of Moses,^z all this calamity—it has come upon us,^{*} and we have not softened the face of Jehovah our God^c by turning back from our error^q and by showing insight into your trueneess.^a

14 "And Jehovah kept alert to the calamity and finally brought it upon us,^o for Jehovah our God^c is righteous in all his works that he has done; and we have not obeyed^d his voice."

15 "And now, O Jehovah^e our God,^c you who brought your people out from the land of Egypt by a strong hand^o and proceeded to make a name for yourself as at this day,^{*} we have sinned,^{*} we have acted wickedly.¹⁶ O Jehovah,^f according to all your acts of righteousness,^k please, may your anger and your rage turn back from your city Jerusalem, your holy mountain;ⁿ for, because of our sins and because

^a "The [true] God." See verse 3, footnote e. ^b "Him," MLXXVgSy; "you," many Hebrew manuscripts. ^c "God." M, *El-o-him'*. ^d Or, "listened to." ^e "Jehovah," eight Hebrew manuscripts and three Hebrew printed editions and VgSy; *De.spo'tes Ky'ri-os, LXX-Rahlf's; A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^f "Jehovah," VgSy; *De.spo'tes, LXX-Rahlf's; A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*.

sIsa 1:4
Jer 8:10

tDe 28:15
De 31:17

uLa 2:17

vHo 7:7

yIsa 45:7
Jer 1:14
Jer 39:8
zLe 26:15
De 28:15
*La 1:1

qIsa 9:13
Isa 64:7
Jer 2:30
Jer 5:3
APs 25:10

rJer 44:2

*Ne 9:33

oEx 6:1
Ex 32:11
*Ex 9:16
Ne 9:10
Ps 106:8
*Da 9:5
Lu 15:18
kPs 31:1

nPs 87:1
Joe 3:17

rLe 26:39
Ps 106:6

s1K1 9:7
Ps 79:4
Isa 64:10
Jer 24:9
tNu 6:25
Ps 4:6
Ps 67:1
uLa 5:18

v1K1 8:29
Ps 17:6

yJer 7:10
Jer 25:29

zIsa 64:6
Jer 14:7
*Ps 25:6

qIsa 54:7
1K1 8:30

rMt 6:14
Nu 14:19

s2Ch 6:21
Ps 69:17
Ps 79:8

tIsa 63:19
Jer 14:9

*Ps 32:5
Ec 7:20
*Isa 6:5

kPs 87:1
Isa 56:7
Zec 8:3

nDa 8:16
Lu 1:19

^a "God." M, *El-o-him'*. ^b "Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay'*; *LXX-Rahlf's*, "your servants, O Sovereign Lord [*De.spo'tes*]" ; *LXX*, "yourself, O Jehovah"; Vg, "your own self"; Sy, "your name, O Jehovah." This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^c Or, literally, "upon which your name has been called," M. ^d "Jehovah," *LXXVg*; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^e "Jehovah," *LXX-Rahlf's*, but omitted by *LXXVgSy*; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*. ^f "The man." M, *ha-ish*; *LXX*, *ho a-ner*; Vg, *vir.* ^g "Ga'bri-el." See Daniel 8:16, footnote f.

of the errors of our forefathers,^r Jerusalem and your people are an object of reproach to all those round about us.^{s 17} And now listen, O our God,^a to the prayer of your servant and to his entreaties, and cause your face to shine^t upon your sanctuary that is desolated,^u for the sake of Jehovah.^{b 18} Incline your ear, O my God,^a and hear.^v Do open your eyes and see our desolated conditions and the city that has been called by your name;^y for not according to our righteous acts are we letting our entreaties fall before you,^z but according to your many mercies.^{*} ¹⁹ O Jehovah,^d do hear.^q O Jehovah,^d do forgive.^{ca} O Jehovah,^e do pay attention and act.^o Do not delay,^{*} for your own sake, O my God,^a for your own name has been called upon your city and upon your people."^o

20 While I was yet speaking and praying and confessing my sinⁿ and the sin of my people Israel^m and letting my request for favor fall before Jehovah my God^a concerning the holy mountain of my God,^{k 21} and [while] I was yet speaking in the prayer, why, the man^f Ga'briel,^{gn} whom I had seen in the vision at the start,

having been made weary with tiredness,^a was arriving by me at the time of the evening gift offering.^r ²² And he proceeded to impart understanding and speak with me and say:

"O Daniel, now I have come forth to make you have insight with understanding.^s ²³ At the start of your entreaties a word went forth, and I myself have come to make report, because you are someone very desirable.^t So give consideration^u to the matter, and have understanding in the thing seen.

²⁴ "There are seventy weeks^b that have been determined^c upon your people^v and upon your holy city,^y in order to terminate the transgression,^z and to finish off sin,^{*} and to make atonement^d for error,^o and to bring in righteousness for times indefinite,^a and to imprint a seal upon^e vision and prophet,^o and to anoint the Holy of Holies.^g ²⁵ And you should know and have the insight [that] from the going forth of [the] word to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem^g until Mess-si'ah^h [the] Leader,^h there will be seven weeks, also sixty-two weeks.^k She will return and be actually rebuilt, with a public square and moat, but in the straits of the times.

^a "Having been made weary with tiredness," M; "being borne along speedily," LXX^{Rahlfs}; "flying speedily," Vg. ^b "Weeks." A "week of years" is mentioned in the Jewish *Mishnah*, in *Baba Metsia* 9,x; and in *Sanhedrin* 5,i. (See H. Danby's English translation [1950 edition], pages 363, 388.) ^c Or, "decided; decreed." Literally, "severed," or, "cut off." M, *hha-thakh'*. ^d Or, "make propitiation." M, *ka-pēr'*. ^e Or, "to confirm; to give authority to." Literally, "to seal," M. ^f "Prophet." That is, the prophecy. ^g Or, "the Most Holy." M, *qo'desh qā.dā.shim'*. Compare Numbers 18:10; 1 Kings 6:16; 7:50; 8:6. ^h "Mess-si'ah." M, *Ma-shi'ahh*; Vg, *Chris'tus*; Sy, *M'shi'hha*. Or, "an Anointed One."

rIKl 18:36
Ezr 9:5

sZec 1:9

tDa 10:11
Da 10:19
Lu 1:28
uMt 24:15

vEx 33:16
cGe 29:27

yPs 87:3
Isa 52:1
zIsa 61:1
Lu 1:68

*Mic 7:18
*Lu 1:77

Heb 9:26
oRo 3:25

1Jo 2:2
1Jo 4:10

aIsa 53:11
Isa 61:11

Ro 1:17
oJoh 19:30

*Heb 9:7
Heb 9:24

oNe 2:5
Ne 2:8

Ne 6:15
*Isa 2:10

Ps 2:2
Joh 1:41

*Isa 55:4
Da 11:22

Joh 1:49
kLu 3:1

²⁶ "And after the sixty-two weeks Mes-si-ah^a will be cut off,ⁿ with nothing^b for himself.^r

"And the city and the holy place the people of a leader that is coming will bring to their ruin.^s And the end of it^c will be by the flood. And until [the] end there will be war; what is decided upon is desolations.^t

²⁷ "And he must keep [the] covenant^u in force^d for the many^e for one week;^v and at the half of the week he will cause sacrifice and gift offering to cease.^y

"And upon the wing^f of disgusting things there will be the one causing desolation,^z and until an extermination,^{*} the very thing decided upon will go pouring out^g also upon the one lying desolate."^h

10 In the third year of Cy'rusⁱ the king of Persia there was a matter revealed to Daniel, whose name was called Bel-te-shaz-zar;^j and the matter was true,^k and there was a great military service,^l even to understand the matter, and he had understanding in the matter seen.^m

² In those days I myself, Daniel, happened to be mourning for three full weeks.ⁿ ³ Dainty

nPs 22:15
Isa 53:8
Lu 24:26
Lu 24:46
rMr 9:12

sLu 19:43
Lu 21:20

tLu 21:22
Lu 21:23

cAm 1:9
uGe 15:18

Lu 1:55
vMt 3:9

Mt 8:11
yMt 27:51

zMt 24:15
Lu 21:20

*Zep 1:18

oJer 25:31

a2Ch 36:22
Ezr 1:1

Isa 45:1
Da 1:21

Da 6:28

oDa 1:7
Da 4:8

*Da 8:26
oDa 10:13

*Da 9:22

*Ps 43:2
Isa 66:10

Jer 9:1
Mt 9:15

^a "Mes-si'ah." M, *Ma-shi'ahh*; Vg, *Chris'tus*; Sy, *M'shi'hha*. Or, "an Anointed One." ^b Or, "no one." ^c Or, "him." In the masculine gender; hence not referring to the city, which is feminine. ^d Or, more literally, "must make a covenant mighty," M. ^e Or, "the grand ones." M, *ha-rab-bim*; LXX, *polloi*; Vg, *mul'ti*. ^f Or, "extremity." M, *kanaph*. ^g "Go pouring out." Or, "be poured out." ^h Or, possibly, "the one causing desolation." M, *sho-mēm*; this participle having developed from the *po-el* form of participle *m'sho-mēm*, which appears in the same verse with "disgusting things." See also Daniel 8:13, footnote b. ⁱ "Cy'rus," Vg; *Kho'resh*, M; *Ky'ros*, LXX. ^j Literally, "truth." M, *em-eth*. ^k Literally, "three weeks of days," M.

bread I did not eat, and no flesh or wine entered into my mouth, and in no way did I grease myself until the completing of the three full weeks.^{ak} And on the twenty-fourth day of the first month, while I myself happened to be on the bank of the great river, that is, Hid'de-ke^l,^{bn} I also proceeded to raise my eyes and see, and here was a certain man^c clothed in linen,^r with his hips^s girded with gold^d of U'phaz.^{et} And his body was like chrysolite,^u and his face like the appearance of lightning,^{cv} and his eyes like fiery torches,^v and his arms and the place of his feet were like the sight of burnished copper,^z and the sound of his words was like the sound of a crowd.^{*} And I saw, I Daniel by myself, the appearance; but as for the men^f that happened to be with me, they did not see the appearance.^z However, there was a great trembling that fell upon them, so that they went running away in hiding themselves.

8 And I—I was left remaining by myself, so that I saw this great appearance.^a And there was left remaining in me no power,^o and my own dignity became changed upon me to ruination, and I retained no power. ^o And I began hearing the sound of his words; and while I was hearing the sound of his words, I myself also happened to be fast asleep upon my face, with my face to the earth.⁺ ¹⁰ And, look! there was a hand that touched me,^o and it gradually stirred me up to [get] upon my knees and the

^a Literally, "three weeks of days," M. ^b "Hid'de-ke^l," M; "Ti'gris," LXXVg; "Eu.phra'tes," Sy. "Hid'de-ke^l" means "Active; Vehement; Rapid." ^c Literally, "one man [ish]," M. ^d "Gold," M, *keth'em*; an Egyptian word. ^e "U'phaz," M; *o.bry'zum* ("refined"), Vg. ^f "Men," M, *a-nä.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*.

kMt 6:17

nGe 2:14

rDa 12:6
sIsa 11:5
Re 1:13
tJer 10:9
uEx 28:20
Re 21:20
vZec 9:14
vEze 1:14
Mt 17:2
yRe 1:14
zEze 1:7
Re 1:15

*Eze 1:24

zKt 6:17
Ac 9:7
Ac 22:9

aEx 3:3
Mt 17:2
Da 7:28
Da 8:27
Hab 3:16
Mt 17:16

*Ge 15:12
Job 33:15
Da 8:18
Lu 9:32
Jer 1:9
Da 9:21
Re 1:17

palms of my hands. ¹¹ And he proceeded to say to me:

"O Daniel, you very desirable man,^{a*} have understanding in the words that I am speaking to you,⁺ and stand up where you were standing, for now I have been sent to you."

And when he spoke with me this word, I did stand up, shivering.^k

12 And he went on to say to me: "Do not be afraid,ⁿ O Daniel, for from the first day that you gave your heart to understanding^r and humbling yourself before your God^{bs} your words have been heard, and I myself have come because of your words.^t ¹³ But the prince^c of the royal realm of Persia^u was standing in opposition to me for twenty-one days,^v and, look! Mi'cha-el,^{dy} one of the foremost^e princes,^z came to help me; and I, for my part, remained^f there beside the kings of Persia. ¹⁴ And I have come to cause you to discern what will befall your people^o in the final part of the days,^o because it is a vision yet for the days [to come]."^{da}

15 Now when he spoke with me words like these, I had set my face to the earth^o and had become speechless.^{*} ¹⁶ And, look! one similar to the likeness of the sons of mankind^o was touching my lips,^o and I began to open my mouth⁺ and speak and say to the one who was standing in front of me: "O my lord,^{h*} because of the appearance my convulsions were turned within

*Da 9:23
Da 10:19

*Da 9:22

kAc 9:8

nIsa 35:4
Lu 2:10
Re 1:17
rIsa 65:24
Da 9:3
Ac 10:4
tPa 69:7
tDa 9:23
Ac 10:31
uEze 4:5
vEph 6:12
yDa 12:1
Jude 9
Re 12:7
zJoh 17:5
Col 2:10
1Pe 3:22

*Ga 3:29
Ga 6:16
cGe 49:1
Da 2:28
aDa 8:26
Da 12:4
Hab 2:3
Da 8:18
Lu 1:20

*Isa 6:7
Jer 1:9
*Eze 33:22

*Jos 5:14
Da 12:8

^a Literally, "man [ish] of desirable things," M. ^b "God," M, *El-o-him'*. ^c "Prince," M, *sar*; LXX, *ar'khōn*; Vg, *prin'ceps*. ^d "Mi'cha-el," MLXXVgSy. Meaning "Who Is Like God [El]?" ^e Or, "first." ^f "I, for my part, remained," MVg; "him I left," LXX. ^g Or, "men," M, *a-dam'*. ^h "My lord," M, *A-do-ni'*; Vg, *Do'mi-nus me'us*.

me, and I did not retain any power.^k ¹⁷ So how was the servant of this my lord^a able to speak with this my lord?^a And as for me, up to now there kept standing in me no power, and no breath^o at all was left remaining in me."^r

18 And the one like the appearance of an earthling man^b proceeded to touch me again and strengthen me.^s ¹⁹ Then he said: "Do not be afraid,^t O very desirable man.^{cu} May you have peace.^v Be strong, yes, be strong."^y And as soon as he spoke with me I exerted my strength and finally said: "Let my lord speak,^z because you have strengthened me."^z ²⁰ So he went on to say:

"Do you really know why I have come to you? And now I shall go back to fight with the prince^d of Persia.^o While I am going forth, look! also the prince^d of Greece^e is coming.^a ²¹ However, I shall tell you the things noted down in the writing of truth,^o and there is no one holding strongly with me in these [things] but Mi'cha-el,^t the prince of you people.^o

11 "And as for me, in the first year of Da-ri'us^s the Mede^r there was a standing up, on my part, as a strengthener and as a fortress to him. ² And now what is truth I shall tell to you:[#]

"Look! There will yet be three kings stand-

^a "My lord." M, *a.do.mi'*; Vg, *do'minus me'us*. ^b "An earthling man." M, *a.dam'*; LXX, *an'thro-pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*. ^c See verse 11, footnote a. ^d "Prince." M, *sar*; LXX, *ar'khon*; Vg, *prin'ceps*. ^e "Greece." M, *Ya-wan'*; LXX, "the Hel'lenes (or, Greeks)"; Vg, "the Greeks (Grecians)." ^f "Mi'cha-el." See verse 13, footnote d. ^g "Da-ri'us." MVgSy; "Cy'rus." LXX, Arabic, LXX^{Rahlfs}. See Daniel 5:31, footnote c. Says *Darius the Mede—A Study in Historical Identification*, by John C. Whit- [See bottom of next page.]

kDa 7:15
Da 8:27

nJg 6:22

oGe 2:7
rIsa 6:5

sDa 8:18
tJg 6:23
Isa 41:10
uDa 9:23
vLu 24:36
yJos 1:6
Isa 35:4
Hag 2:4
Zec 8:9
ICo 16:13
zIsa 3:10
*Ps 138:3

oDa 10:13

aDa 7:8
Da 8:5
Da 11:2

oIsa 43:9
Am 3:7
Ro 3:4

*Da 10:13
Jude 9
Re 12:7
oDa 12:1
*Da 5:31
Da 9:1

*Pr 22:21

kEzr 4:5
nEzr 4:6
rEs 1:1

sGe 10:2
Ge 10:4
ICo 1:5
Isa 66:19
Joe 3:5
Zec 9:13
Ac 20:2
tDa 7:6
Da 8:5
Da 8:21
uDa 5:19
vPs 37:35
yDa 7:6
Da 8:8
Da 8:22
*Ezr 4:8
*Jer 45:4

ing up for Persia,^k and the fourth oneⁿ will amass greater riches than all [others].^r And as soon as he has become strong in his riches, he will rouse up everything against the kingdom of Greece.^{as}

3 "And a mighty^b king^c will certainly stand up and rule with extensive dominion^{dt} and do according to his will.^{eu} ⁴ And when he will have stood up,^v his kingdom will be broken and be divided toward the four winds^f of the heavens,^y but not to his posterity^z and not according to his dominion^d with which he had ruled; because his kingdom will be uprooted,^{*} even for others than these.

5 "And the king of the south^g will become strong, even [one] of his princes; and he will

[Continued from bottom of previous page.] comb, Jr., Professor of Old Testament, on pages 66, 67: "It is true that the name 'Darius the Mede' has not yet been found in any extra-Biblical inscription of pre-Christian times. Nevertheless, Gubaru the Governor of Babylon fits the Biblical description of Darius the Mede so remarkably that the writer believes he will be recognized in due time as the monarch who played such an important role in the life of Daniel after the Fall of Babylon. . . . In similar fashion, He assured His hearers that 'the scripture cannot be broken' (John 10:35); and that 'one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all things be accomplished' (Matt. 5:18). It is in this light that the Christian scholar must approach the Scriptures and investigate such problems as the historicity of Darius the Mede. His conviction that Darius the Mede actually lived in the sixth century B.C. and did the things ascribed to him in the Book of Daniel does not depend upon the confirmation of cuneiform documents, but he is confident that the discovery of new documents can only serve to confirm the statements of God's Word."—February, 1959.

^a "Greece." Vg; "the Greeks," LXX; *Ya-wan'*, M. ^b "Mighty." M, *gib.bor'*. ^c "King." MLXXVg; "king, Alexander the first son of Philip," Sy. ^d Or, "rulership." ^e Or, "pleasure." M, *ra.tsôn'*. ^f Or, "directions." M, *ru'ahh* (in the plural number); LXX, *a'ne.moi*; Vg, *ven'ti*. ^g "South." M, *neg'eb*.

prevail against him and will certainly rule with extensive dominion^a [greater than] that one's ruling power.

6 "And at the end of [some] years they will ally themselves with each other, and the very daughter of the king of the south^b will come to the king of the north in order to make an equitable arrangement. But she will not retain the power of her arm;^c and he will not stand, neither his arm; and she will be given up, she herself, and those bringing her in, and he who caused her birth, and the one making her strong in [those] times. ⁷ And one from the sprout^d of her roots will certainly stand up in his position, and he will come to the military force and come against the fortress of the king of the north and will certainly act against them and prevail. ⁸ And also with their gods,^e with their molten images, with their desirable^f articles of silver and of gold,^g [and] with the captives he will come to Egypt. And he himself will for [some] years stand off from the king of the north.

9 "And he will actually come into the kingdom of the king of the south and go back to his own soil.

10 "Now as for his sons,^h they will excite themselves and actually gather together a crowd of large military forces. And in coming he will certainly come and flood over and pass through. But he will go back, and heⁱ will excite himself all the way to his fortress.

11 "And the king of the south will embitter

^a Or, "rulership." ^b "South." M, *neg'eb*. ^c "Gods." M, *el.o.him*; LXX, *hoi theoi*; Vg, *di'i*. ^d "Sons." M^{margin} LXXVg; "son," MLXX Rahlfs. ^e "He," M^{margin} and many Hebrew manuscripts, LXXVg; "they," MSy.

Job 38:15

Job 14:7

Ge 31:30
Ex 12:12
Nu 33:4
De 12:3
Jg 18:24
Isa 37:19
Jer 43:12
Jer 46:25
Mic 4:19

Mal 3:3
Ho 13:15

himself and will have to go forth and fight with him, [that is,] with the king of the north; and he will certainly have a large crowd stand up, and the crowd will actually be given into the hand of that one.^{*} ¹² And the crowd will certainly be carried away. His heart will become exalted,^{*} and he will actually cause tens of thousands to fall; but he will not use his strong position.

13 "And the king of the north must return and set up a crowd larger than the first; and at the end of the times, [some] years, he will come, doing so with a great military^k force and with much baggage.ⁿ ¹⁴ And in those times there will be many who will stand up against the king of the south.

"And the sons of the robbers belonging to your people will, for their part, be carried along to try making a vision come true;^o and they will have to stumble.^s

15 "And the king of the north will come and throw up^a a siege rampart^t and actually capture a city with fortifications.^u And as for the arms of the south, they will not stand, neither the people of his picked ones; and there will be no power to keep standing. ¹⁶ And the one coming against him will do according to his will,^v and there will be no one standing before him. And he will stand in the land of the Decoration,^y and there will be extermination in his hand.^b ¹⁷ And he will set his face to come with the forcefulness of his entire kingdom, and there

Ec 9:11

De 8:14
2Ki 14:10
2Ch 26:16
2Ch 32:25
Pr 16:18
Isa 10:7
Eze 28:2
Da 5:20
Ac 12:23

2Sa 24:2
2Ki 6:15
1Sa 25:13
1Sa 30:24

rAc 5:36

sAc 5:37

tIsa 37:33
Jer 6:6
Jer 32:24
Jer 33:4
Jer 52:4
uEze 17:17

vDa 11:3

yPs 48:2
Isa 4:2
Isa 24:16
Isa 28:5
Eze 20:6
Eze 25:9
Da 8:9
Da 11:41
Da 11:45

^a Literally, "pour out," M. ^b "There will be extermination in his hand," M; or, by a change of vowel pointing, "all of it will be in his hand."

will be equitable^a [terms] with him; and he will act effectively.* And as regards the daughter of womankind,^a it will be granted to him to bring her to ruin. And she will not stand, and she will not continue to be his.¹⁸ And he will turn his face back to the coastlands^b and will actually capture many. And a commander will have to make the reproach from him cease for himself, [so that] his reproach will not be. He will make it turn back upon that one.¹⁹ And he will turn his face back to the fortresses of his [own] land, and he will certainly stumble and fall, and he will not be found.²⁰

20 "And there must stand up in his position one* who is causing an exacter^c to pass through the splendid kingdom,^d and in a few days^e he will be broken, but not in anger nor in warfare.

21 "And there must stand up in his position one who is to be despised,* and they will certainly not set upon him the dignity of [the] kingdom; and he will actually come in during a freedom from care^k and take hold of [the] kingdom by means of smoothness.^{fn} 22 And as regards the arms of the flood, they will be flooded over on account of him, and they will be broken; as will also the Leader^g of [the] covenant.²³ And because of their allying themselves with him he will carry on deception and actually come up and become mighty by means of a little nation.²⁴ And during freedom from

^a Literally, "the women," M. ^b Or, "islands." ^c "An exacter"; possibly, of taxes. Compare 2 Kings 23:35. Or, "a taskmaster." M, *no.ges*. ^d Literally, "the splendor of a kingdom," M. ^e "In a few days," MVg; "in later [after] days," one Hebrew manuscript; "in final [farthest] days," LXX. ^f Or, "flattering conduct [state-ments]." ^g Literally, "fewness of a nation," M.

zDa 11:6

*Da 11:28

CP 19:21

*Jer 2:10

*Job 20:8

Ps 27:2

Ps 37:36

Jer 46:6

*Lu 2:1

*Lu 2:2

Ac 5:37

*Ps 12:8

Lu 3:1

kJer 22:21

Da 8:25

nPs 55:21

rIsa 55:4

Da 9:25

Joh 1:49

sGe 15:18

Da 9:27

Lu 1:55

Ac 3:25

tPhp 1:13

uJer 22:21

Da 8:25

vGe 11:4

Ne 6:2

Es 8:3

Ps 36:4

Pr 6:18

Jer 11:19

care,^u even into the fatness of the jurisdictional district he will enter in and actually do what his fathers and the fathers of his fathers have not done. Plunder and spoil and goods he will scatter among them, and against fortified places he will scheme out his schemes,^v but only until a time.

25 "And he will arouse his power and his heart against the king of the south with a great military force; and the king of the south, for his part, will excite himself for the war with an exceedingly great and mighty military force. And he will not stand, because they will scheme out against him schemes.^v 26 And the very ones eating his delicacies^a will bring his breakdown.

"And as for his military force, it will be flooded away,^b and many will certainly fall down slain.

27 "And as regards these two kings, their heart will be inclined to doing what is bad,^z and at one table a lie is what they will keep speaking.* But nothing will succeed,² because [the] end is yet for the time appointed.^a

28 "And he will go back to his land with a great amount of goods, and his heart will be against the holy covenant.² And he will act effectively* and certainly go back to his land.

29 "At the time appointed he will go back, and he will actually come against the south;^c but it will not prove to be at the last the same as at the first.² 30 And there will certainly come against him the ships of Kit'tim,^d and he will have to become dejected.

^a Or, "at his (dinner) table." ^b "Will flood over," MLXX^{Rahits}; "will sweep away," LXX; "will be overthrown," Vg; "will be scattered," Sy. ^c "South," M, *neg'eb*. ^d "The ships of Kit'tim," LXX, "Romans"; Vg, "triremes and Romans."

"And he will actually go back and hurl denunciations against the holy covenant^a and act effectively; and he will have to go back and will give consideration to those leaving the holy covenant. ³¹ And there will be arms^a that will stand up, proceeding from him; and they will actually profane the sanctuary,^b the fortress,^c and remove the constant [feature].^{dn}

"And they will certainly put in place^e the disgusting thing^r that is causing desolation.^{fs}

³² "And those who are acting wickedly against [the] covenant,^t he will lead into apostasy^u by means of smooth words.^v But as regards the people who are knowing their God,^{sv} they will prevail^h and act effectively. ³³ And as regards those having insight among the people,^z they will impart understanding to the many.^{*} And they will certainly be made to stumble by sword and by flame, by captivity and by plundering, for [some] days.^{ic} ³⁴ But when they are made to stumble they will be helped with a little help;^a and many will certainly join themselves to them by means of smoothness.^{js} ³⁵ And some of those having insight will be made to stumble,^{*} in order to do a refining work because of them and to do a cleansing and to do a whitening, until the time of [the] end;^o because it is yet for the time appointed.^{*}

^a "Arms." Those of the human body, but here in a symbolic sense. ^b "The sanctuary." M, *ham-miq-dash*; LXX, to *ha'g'lon*; Vg, *sanctu.a'ri.um*. ^c Or, "stronghold." M, *ma'oz*. ^d Or, "the continual [sacrifice]." M, *hat-tamid*; LXX, "the sacrifice"; Vg, "the continual sacrifice." ^e Literally, "certainly give." M. ^f Or, "causing astonishment." M, *m'sho.mem*. Compare Daniel 9:27, footnote h. ^g "God." M, *El.o.him*. ^h Or, "will show strength." ⁱ "For many days," many Hebrew manuscripts and printed editions. ^j Or, "flattering conduct [statements]."

#2Sa 7:12
2Sa 23:5
Ps 89:28
Lu 22:29

cMt 27:51
kDa 8:11
Da 12:7
Re 11:2

nEx 29:38
Nu 28:3
Ps 119:44
Da 8:12

Da 12:11
rDa 12:11
Mt 24:15
Mr 13:14

Re 17:8
sLu 21:20
tLu 22:29
uIsa 32:6

vPs 55:21
yCh 28:9
Joh 17:3
zPr 1:3

Isa 32:3
Zec 8:23
Mt 13:11
Mt 24:45

*Pr 9:9
Mt 24:14
Mt 10:18
Mt 24:9

Joh 16:2
Re 12:17
Re 7:15
Re 12:16

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Mt 7:15
Ac 20:29
*Mt 10:22
Re 2:10

*Isa 14:13
2Th 2:4
kDa 8:11
Da 8:25
nDe 10:17
Ps 136:2

rZep 3:8

sEze 8:14
oHab 3:3

tIsa 14:13

³⁶ "And the king will actually do according to his own will,^a and he will exalt himself^a and magnify himself^b above every god;^{ck} and against the God of gods^{dn} he will speak marvelous things. And he will certainly prove successful until [the] denunciation will have come to a finish;^r because the thing decided upon must be done. ³⁷ And to the god^e of his fathers he will give no consideration; and to the desire of women^s and to every other god^{co} he will give no consideration, but over everyone he will magnify himself.^{et} ³⁸ But to the god^f of fortresses,^h in his position he will give glory; and to a god^f that his fathers did not know he will give glory by means of gold and by means of silver and by means of precious stone and by means of desirable things. ³⁹ And he will act effectively against the most fortified strongholds, along with a foreign god.^f Whoever has given [him] recognition he will make abound with glory, and he will actually make them rule among many; and [the] ground he will apporportion out for a price.

⁴⁰ "And in the time of [the] end the king of the south will engage with him in a pushing, and against him the king of the north will storm with chariots and with horsemen and with many ships;^o and he will actually enter into the lands and flood over and pass through. ⁴¹ He will also

^a Or, "pleasure." M, *ra.t.son*. ^b Or, "and boast." ^c "God." M, *el*; LXX, *the.os*; Vg, *de.us*. ^d "The God of gods." M, *El.elim*; LXX, *ho The.os' ton the.on*; Vg, *De.us de.o'rum*. ^e "God." Or, "gods." M, *el.o.him*; but, possibly, in the plural number of grandeur and excellency. LXX, *the.o'i*; Vg, *de.us*. ^f "God." M, *el.o'ah*; the plural number of which is *el.o.him*. ^g Or, "will boast." ^h "The god of fortresses (strongholds)." M, *el.o'ah ma'uz.zim*; Vg, *de.us Maozim*.

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actually enter^m into the land of the Decoration,^{au} and there will be many [lands]^b that will be made to stumble. But these are the ones that will escape out of his hand, E'dom and Mo'ab^v and the main part^c of the sons of Am'mon.⁴² And he will keep thrusting out his hand against the lands; and as regards the land of Egypt,^y she will not prove to be an escapee.⁴³ And he will actually rule over the hidden treasures of the gold and the silver and over all the desirable things of Egypt. And the Lib'y-ans^d and the E-thi-o'pi-ans^e will be at his steps.

44 "But there will be reports^f that will terrify him,^z out of the sunrising^g and out of the north, and he will certainly go forth in a great rage in order to annihilate and to devote many to destruction.⁴⁵ And he will plant his palatial tents between [the] grand sea^h and the holy mountain of Decoration,^{h^a} and he will have to come all the way to his end,⁴ and there will be no helper for him.^{*}

12 "And during that time Mi'cha-el¹⁰ will stand up,^{*} the great prince¹⁰ who is standing in behalf of the sons of your people.^k And there will certainly occur a time of distress such as has not been made to occur since there came to be a nation until that time.ⁿ And during

^a Or, "decorative land"; or, "beautiful land." ^b "Many [lands]." The adjective "many" is in the feminine gender, plural number, evidently referring to lands (feminine). ^c "The main part." Literally, "the beginning," M. ^d "The Lib'y-ans," LXX; "Lib'y-a," Vg; *Lubim'*, M. ^e "The E-thi-o'pi-ans," LXX; "E-thi-o'pia," Vg; *Khus-shim'*, M. ^f Or, more literally, "things heard," M. ^g "[The] grand sea." Literally, "seas," MLXXVg; "sea," Sy. ^h Or, "holy decorative mountain"; or, "holy beautiful mountain." ⁱ "Mi'cha-el." See Daniel 10:13, footnote d. ^j "Prince," MVg; "angel," LXX-Rahlfs; "ruler" (*ar'khōn*), LXX.

mEze 38:11
Eze 38:18
uPs 48:2
Isa 4:2
Isa 24:16
Isa 28:5
Eze 20:6
Eze 25:9
Da 8:9
Da 11:16
Da 11:45
vJer 48:46

yJer 9:26

zEze 38:16
*Re 16:12
*Eze 38:9
Eze 38:17
Isa 4:2
Isa 24:16
Isa 28:5
Eze 20:6
Eze 25:9
Da 8:9
Da 11:16
*Eze 39:4
2Th 1:9
*Re 19:20
*Da 10:13
Jude 9
*Re 12:7
*Mic 7:3
Isa 9:6
Eze 34:24
kGa 3:29
Ga 6:16

nMt 24:21

rMt 24:22
sLu 10:20
Re 3:5

tRe 11:8
uEze 37:12
Re 11:11
vMt 24:51

yDa 11:33
Mt 13:43
z1Ti 4:16
Re 7:9

*Da 8:26

□Da 8:17

△Isa 11:9

◇Da 10:6
Da 10:16

+Da 10:4

⊖Da 10:5

*Ps 74:10
Da 8:13
Re 6:10

*De 32:40
Re 10:5
kJob 27:2
Jer 4:2
Da 4:34
Re 10:6
nDa 7:25
Re 11:2
Re 12:6
Re 12:14
Re 13:5
rDa 8:24
Mt 24:9
Re 11:7

that time your people will escape,^r every one who is found written down in the book.^s ² And there will be many of those asleep in the ground of dust who will wake up,^t these to indefinitely lasting life^u and those to reproaches [and] to indefinitely lasting abhorrence.^v

3 "And the ones having insight will shine like the brightness^a of the expanse;^y and those who are bringing the many to righteousness,^z like the stars to time indefinite, even forever.

4 "And as for you, O Daniel, make secret the words and seal up the book,^{*} until the time of [the] end.^b Many will rove about, and the [true] knowledge will become abundant."^a

5 And I saw, I Daniel, and, look! there were two others standing,⁴ one on the bank here of the stream^c and the other on the bank there of the stream.^c ⁶ Then one said to the man^d clothed with the linen,^e who was up above the waters of the stream:^c "How long will it be to the end of the wonderful things?"^{* 7} And I began to hear the man^d clothed with the linen, who was up above the waters of the stream,^c as he proceeded to raise his right [hand] and his left [hand] to the heavens and to swear^{*} by the One who is alive for time indefinite:^k "It will be for an appointed time, appointed times^e and a half.ⁿ And as soon as there will have been a finishing of the dashing of the power^f of the holy people to pieces,^r all these things will come to their finish."

^a Or, "shining." ^b "End." M, *kēts*; LXX, *syn.tel'ei.a* (see Matthew 13:39, footnote e; 24:3, footnote b; 28:20, footnote b). ^c Or, "river." M, *y'ōr*. ^d "Man." M, *ish*; Vg, *vir*. ^e "An appointed time, appointed times." M, *mo'ed' mo'a.dim'*; LXX, *kai.ros' kai kai.roi'*; Vg, *tem'pus et tem'po.ra*. Compare Revelation 12:14, footnote d. ^f Literally, "hand." M, *yad*; Vg, *ma'nus*.

8 Now as for me, I heard, but I could not understand;^a so that I said: "O my lord,^a what will be the final part of these things?"^t

9 And he went on to say: "Go, Daniel, because the words are made secret and sealed up until the time of [the] end.^u ¹⁰ Many will cleanse themselves^v and whiten themselves^v and will be refined.² And the wicked ones will certainly act wickedly, and no wicked ones at all will understand;³ but the ones having insight will understand.⁴

11 "And from the time that the constant [feature]^b has been removed⁵ and there has been a placing of the disgusting thing⁶ that is causing desolation,^c there will be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.

12 "Happy^o is the one^d who is keeping in expectation and who arrives at the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days!

13 "And as for you yourself, go toward the end;^e and you will rest,⁷ but you will stand up for your lot at the end^f of the days."^k

^a "O my lord." M, *A.do.ni'*; LXX, *Ky'ri.os*; Vg, *Do'mi.nus me'us*.
^b Or, "the continual [sacrifice]." M, *hat-ta.mid'*; LXX, "the sacrifice"; Vg, "the continual sacrifice." ^c "That is causing desolation." Or, "that is causing astonishment." M, *sho.mēm'*. Compare Daniel 9:27, footnote h. ^d "Happy is the one." Literally, "O the happiness of the one!" M; *Ma.ka'ri.os ho*, LXX; *Be.a'tus qui*, Vg. Compare Psalm 1:1, footnote b, and Matthew 5:3; Luke 6:20. ^e "Toward the end," MVgSy; absent from LXX. ^f "The end." M, *qēts*; LXX, *syn.tel'ei.a*; Vg, *finis*. See verse 4, footnote b.

sLu 18:34
 Ac 1:7
 1Pe 1:11
 tDa 10:14

uDa 8:26

vPs 51:7
 Eze 36:25
 yIsa 1:18
 Re 7:14
 zDa 11:35
 Mal 3:3
 *Isa 32:6
 Ho 14:9
 oPs 111:10
 Pr 3:4
 Da 12:3
 1Jo 5:20
 ΔDa 8:11
 Da 11:31
 Re 11:7
 *Da 11:31
 Mt 24:15
 Mr 13:14

OMt 5:3

eGe 25:8
 *Joh 11:13
 kAc 17:31
 Ac 24:15
 Re 20:12

HOSEA^a

*Jer 1:4
 2Pe 1:21
 oRo 9:25
 ΔIsa 1:1
 Mic 1:1
 *2Ki 15:13
 2Ch 26:1
 *2Ki 15:32
 *2Ki 16:1
 *2Ki 18:1
 *2Ki 14:23
 k2Ki 13:10

nIsa 20:2
 oMt 10:21
 r2Pe 2:14

sDe 31:16
 Jas 4:4

eGe 4:1
 tIsa 8:3

u1Ki 21:1

v2Ki 9:30
 2Ki 10:7
 y2Ki 10:11
 2Ki 10:29
 *2Ki 15:29

*Ps 46:9

oJos 17:16
 Jg 6:33

1 The word of Jehovah^a that occurred to Hose'a^a the son of Be-e'ri in the days^a of Uz-zi'ah,⁵ Jo'tham,⁶ A'haz⁷ [and] Heze-ki'ah,⁸ kings of Judah, and in the days of Jer-o-bo'am⁹ the son of Jo'ash,¹⁰ the king of Israel. ² There was a start of the word of Jehovah by Hose'a,^a and Jehovah proceeded to say to Hose'a:^a "Go,ⁿ take to yourself a wife of fornication^b and children^c of fornication,⁷ because by fornication the land positively turns from following Jehovah."^s

3 And he proceeded to go and take Go'mer the daughter of Dib-la'im, so that she became pregnant^o and in time bore to him a son.^t

4 And Jehovah went on to say to him: "Call his name Jez're-el,^u for yet a little while and I must hold an accounting for the acts of bloodshed of Jez're-el^v against the house of Je'hu,^v and I must cause the kingdom of the house of Israel to cease.² ^a And it must occur in that day that I must break the bow⁶ of Israel in the low plain^d of Jez're-el."^o

6 And she proceeded to become pregnant another time and to give birth to a daughter. And

^a Literally, "Ho-she'a," M; meaning "salvation; deliverance." (Hose'a is the first of the Twelve Prophets, whose prophecies the Hebrews group together as one book, namely, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi.) ^b Or, "prostitution." M, *s'nu-nim'*; see Ezekiel 23:11, 29; Genesis 38:24. ^c "Jez're-el." The royal city of the kings of northern Israel, although Sa-ma'ri-a was their capital city. —2 Kings 8:29; 9:15, 25, 30-37; 10:1-11. ^d Or, "the valley."

He^a went on to say to him: "Call her name Lo-ru-ha'mah,^b for I shall no more show mercy again to the house of Israel, because I shall positively take them away.^c But to the house of Judah I shall show mercy,^d and I will save them by Jehovah their God;^d but I shall not save them by a bow or by a sword or by war, by horses or by horsemen."^e

8 And she gradually weaned Lo-ru-ha'mah,^b and she proceeded to become pregnant and give birth to a son. ⁹ So He^e said: "Call his name Lo-am'mi,^f because YOU men are not my people^g and I myself shall prove to be not YOURS.^h"

10 "And the number of the sons of Israel must become like the grains of the sand of the sea that cannot be measured or numbered.^w And it must occur that in the place in which it used to be said to them, 'You men are not my people,'^{sn} it will be said to them, 'The sons of the living God.'^{tr} ¹¹ And the sons of Judah and the sons of Israel will certainly be collected together into a unity^{js} and will actually set up for themselves one head and go up out of the land,ⁱ because great will be the day of Jez're-el.^{ku}

2 "SAY to YOUR brothers, 'My people!'^{lv} and to YOUR sisters, 'O woman shown mercy!'^{my} ² Carry on a legal case with YOUR mother;^z

^a "He," MLXXVg; "Jehovah," Sy. ^b Meaning "Woman Not Shown Mercy." Literally, "She Was Not Shown Mercy," M. ^c Or, "that I should positively pardon them." ^d "God," M, *Elo-him*. ^e "He," MLXXVgT; "Jehovah," Sy. ^f Or, literally, "Not My People," M, *Lo-am-mi*. ^g "Not my people," M, *lo-am-mi*. ^h With this verse chapter I ends in MLXX⁸, followed by chapter II; but in VgSyT chapter I continues on for two verses more. ⁱ "God," M, *El*. ^j "Into a unity," M, *yahh-daw*. ^k Meaning "God [El] will sow seed." ^l "My people!" M, *am-mi*. ^m M, *Ru-ha'mah*. Literally, "She has been shown mercy."

4Ho 2:23

2K1 17:6
2K1 17:23
Isa 27:11
2K1 19:34
2K1 19:35

*Isa 37:36

*Jer 15:1
wGe 13:16
Ge 26:4
Ex 32:13
Nu 23:10
De 1:10
1K1 3:8
1Ch 27:23
Ro 9:27
Heb 11:12
nRo 9:26
rJoh 1:12
Ro 8:14
2Co 6:18
Ga 6:16
*Isa 11:12
Jer 3:18
Jer 30:3
Jer 33:14
Mic 2:12
Zec 10:6
Ro 11:26
rJer 3:19
Jer 23:6
Eze 37:17
uPs 110:3
Ho 2:22
vHo 1:9
Zec 13:9
yHo 2:23
Ro 11:30
zJer 2:2
Eze 20:4

*Isa 50:1
cMt 1:16
qJer 3:1

*Jer 3:9
*Am 2:16
*1Co 6:18

*Eze 16:4
*Eze 19:13
*Jer 17:6

*Am 8:11

kJer 13:14
Eze 9:10
n2K1 9:22
Isa 57:3
rJer 2:25
Eze 16:15
sJer 2:26

tEze 23:16

uJer 44:18

vJob 19:8
La 3:7

yIsa 7:5

z2K1 16:9

*Lu 15:18

*Eze 16:4
Eze 23:8
*De 32:13
Lu 15:17

*Isa 1:3
*Jg 9:27
Eze 16:19
*Isa 24:7

*Isa 46:6
Ho 8:4

*Isa 17:11
Eze 16:27

^a Or, "woman." M, *ish-shah*. ^b Or, "man." M, *ish*. ^c Or, "they made into a Ba'al [image]."

carry on a legal case, for she is not my wife^a and I am not her husband.^b And she should put away her fornication from before herself and her acts of adultery from between her breasts,^c that I may not strip her naked^d and actually place her as in the day of her being born,^e and actually set her like a wilderness^f and place her like a waterless land^g and put her to death with thirst.^h And to her sons I shall not show mercy,^k for they are the sons of fornication.ⁿ For their mother has committed fornication.^r She that was pregnant with them has acted shamefully,^s for she has said, 'I want to go after those passionately loving me,^t those giving my bread and my water, my wool and my linen, my oil and my drink.'^u

6 "Therefore here I am hedging your way about with thorns; and I will heap up a stone wall against her, so that her own roadways she will not find.^v And she will actually chase after her passionate lovers, but she will not overtake them;^y and she will actually look for them, but she will not find [them].^z And she will actually say, 'I want to go and return to my husband,' the first one,² for I had it better at that time than now.³ But she herself did not recognize⁴ that it was I who had given to her the grain⁵ and the sweet wine⁶ and the oil, and that I had made silver itself abound for her, and gold, [which] they made use of for Ba'al.⁷

9 "Therefore I shall turn back and certainly take away my grain in its time and my sweet wine in its season,⁸ and I will snatch away my

wool and my linen for covering her nakedness.^{k 10} And now I shall uncover her private parts to the eyes of her passionate lovers,ⁿ and there will be no man^a to snatch her out of my hand.^{r 11} And I shall certainly cause all her exultation,^s her festival,^t her new moon^u and her sabbath^v and her every festal season to cease.¹² And I will lay desolate her vine^v and her fig tree, of which she has said, "They are a gift to me, which my passionate lovers have given to me"; and I will set them as a forest,^y and the wild beast of the field will certainly devour them.¹³ And I will hold an accounting^z against her for all the days of the Ba'al images^b to which she kept making sacrificial smoke,^c when she kept decking herself with her ring and her ornament^a and kept going after her passionate lovers,^d and I was the one that she forgot,^e is the utterance of Jehovah.

14 "Therefore here I am prevailing upon her, and I will cause her to go into the wilderness,^g and I will speak to her heart.^{h 10} And I will give her her vineyards from then onward,ⁱ and the Valley^c of A'chor^{dk} as an entrance to hope;^j and she will certainly answer there as in the days of her youth^r and as in the day of her coming up out of the land of Egypt.^{s 16} And it must occur in that day,¹ is the utterance of Jehovah, 'that you will call [me] My husband,^{et} and you will no longer call me My owner.'^{te}

17 "And I will remove the names of the Ba'al images^b from her mouth,^u and they will

^a "Man." M, *ish*. ^b Or, "the Ba'als." M, *ha-B'a'alim*; LXX, *hoi Baalim*; Vg, *Baalim*. ^c Or, "low plain." ^d Meaning "Trouble." ^e Or, "man." M, *ish*. ^f Or, "Ba'al." M, *Ba'al*.

kEze 23:26
Zep 1:13
nJer 13:26
Eze 16:37

rHo 5:14
sJer 7:34
tAm 5:21
uIsa 1:13
vMt 12:5

vIsa 5:5

yIsa 29:17
Jer 26:18
Mic 3:12

zJer 23:2
Am 3:2
Jg 3:7
1Ki 16:31
2Ki 10:28
Jer 7:9

aEze 23:40

gIsa 7:5
Isa 17:10
Eze 22:12

gEze 20:35
Jg 19:3
De 30:5
Isa 65:21

kJos 7:26
Isa 65:10
nEze 37:11
Zec 9:12
rEze 16:22

sEx 15:1

tIsa 54:5
Jer 3:14
e1Ti 6:1

uEx 23:13
Jos 23:7
Zec 13:2

vJer 10:11

yEze 34:25

zPs 46:9
Isa 2:4
Le 26:5
Jer 23:6
Jer 3:14

aJer 4:1

gIsa 54:13
Jer 9:24
Jer 24:7
Heb 8:11
Isa 65:24

gZec 8:12

mPs 72:16

hHo 1:4
Ho 1:11
Jer 31:27
Zec 10:9

kRo 11:30

nHo 1:9
Ro 9:25
1Pe 2:10
rHo 1:10
Zec 2:11
Zec 13:9

gHo 7:4
sJer 3:20

no longer remember^a [them] by their name.^{v 18} And for them I shall certainly conclude a covenant in that day in connection with the wild beast of the field^y and with the flying creature of the heavens and the creeping thing of the ground, and the bow and the sword and war I shall break out of the land,^z and I will make them lie down in security.¹⁹ And I will engage you to me for time indefinite,^u and I will engage you to me in righteousness and in justice and in loving-kindness^b and in mercies.^{a 20} And I will engage you to me in faithfulness; and you will certainly know Jehovah.^c

21 "And it must occur in that day that I shall answer," is the utterance of Jehovah, 'I shall answer the heavens, and they, for their part, will answer the earth,'^{g 22} and the earth, for its part, will answer the grain^m and the sweet wine and the oil; and they, for their part, will answer Jez're-el [=God will sow seed].^{x 23} And I shall certainly sow her like seed for me in the earth,^h and I will show mercy to her who was not shown mercy,^{dk} and I will say to those not my people,^e "You are my people";ⁿ and they, for their part,^f will say, "[You are] my God."¹ "s^r

3 And Jehovah went on to say to me: "Go once again, love a woman loved by a companion^{hs} and committing adultery,^o as in the

^a Or, "mention." ^b Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^c "Know Jehovah," MSy; "know the Lord," LXX; "know that I am Jehovah," Vg and about 45 Hebrew manuscripts. ^d "Her who was not shown mercy." M, *lo-ru-ha'mah*. See Hosea 1:6, footnote b. ^e Or, "the one not my people." M, *lo-'am-mi'*. See Hosea 1:9, footnote f. ^f Literally, "it itself," referring to "people," which is singular in number, masculine in gender, in M. ^g "God." M, *Elohim*. ^h "Loved by a companion," MVg; "loving bad things," LXXSy.

case of Jehovah's love for the sons of Israel^t while they are turning to other gods^{au} and are loving raisin cakes.^v

2 And I proceeded to purchase her for myself for fifteen silver [pieces]^y and a ho'mer measure^b of barley and a half-ho'mer^c of barley. ³ Then I said to her: "For many days you will dwell as mine.^z You must not commit fornication,^{*} and you must not come to belong to [another] man;^d and I also will be for you."

4 It is because for many days the sons of Israel will dwell without a king^z and without a prince^a and without a sacrifice^b and without a pillar^c and without an eph'od^d and teraphim.^e ⁵ Afterwards the sons of Israel will come back and certainly look for Jehovah their God,^e and for David their king;^k and they will certainly come trembling^o to Jehovahⁿ and to his goodness in the final part of the days.^r

4 Hear the word of Jehovah, O sons of Israel, for Jehovah has a legal case with the inhabitants of the land,^{ts} for there is no truth^t nor loving-kindness^u nor knowledge of God^e in the land.^{tu} ² There are the pronouncing of curses^v and the telling of lies^v and murdering^z and stealing^{*} and committing of fornication^z that have broken forth, and acts of bloodshed have touched other acts of bloodshed.^a ³ That is why the land^f will mourn^o and every inhabitant in it will have to fade away with the wild beast

^a "Gods." M, *el.o.him'*; modified by the adjective for "other" in the plural number. ^b A ho'mer equaled 10 bushels 4 quarts. ^c "A half-ho'mer." M, *le'thek*; Vg, "half a cor [ho'mer]." However, the tradition that a *le'thek* equaled half a cor or ho'mer has not been proved. ^d "Another man," LXX; "a man," MVgSy. M, *ish*. ^e "God." M, *El.o.him'*. ^f Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^g Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*.

tDe 7:7
uJg 10:13
Ne 9:18
vJer 7:18

yGe 34:12
Isa 18:25

zDe 21:13
De 5:18
2K1 17:6
2K1 18:10
Eze 21:25
Nu 28:3

Eze 46:14
Da 9:27
Ex 24:4
Ex 28:4
Jg 8:27
Isa 30:7
Zec 10:2
Ge 31:19
Jg 17:5
Jer 3:22
Jer 30:9
Eze 34:23
Lu 1:32
Oge 31:42
nJer 33:9
rMic 4:1

sMic 6:2
tJer 6:13

uJer 4:22

vPs 10:7
yIsa 59:13
z1K1 21:19
Zec 5:3
Oeze 23:37

aHo 6:9

dAm 8:8

of the field and with the flying creature of the heavens, and even the fishes of the sea themselves will be gathered [in death].^a

4 "However, let no man^b contend,^c neither let a man^b reprove, as your people are like those who are contending against a priest.^c ⁵ And you will certainly stumble in the daytime,^d and even a prophet must stumble with you, as at night.^k And I will put your mother to silence.ⁿ ⁶ My people will certainly be silenced, because there is no knowledge.^r Because the knowledge is what you yourself have rejected,^s I shall also reject you from serving as a priest to me;^t and [because] you keep forgetting the law of your God,^u I shall forget your sons, even I.^v ⁷ In proportion to the multitude of them, so they have sinned against me.^y My own glory they have exchanged for mere dishonor.^z ⁸ The sin^o of my people is what they keep devouring, and

^a Or, "will die"; or, "will be taken away." See Isaiah 57:1. ^b "Man." M, *ish*. ^c Here M seems obscure, various corrections being suggested. ^d "God." M, *El.o.him'*. ^e Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible, by C. D. Ginsburg, page 357, says: "The ancient authorities state that the original reading here was *ke'bo-di' my glory*, instead of *ke'bo-dam' their glory*. But it is evident from the context that this only exhibits partially the alteration which the Sopherim introduced here, since 'I will change my glory into shame' is both against the context and against the principle which underlies these alterations. There can, therefore, be no doubt that the alteration also included the verb which as the Meehiltha [a commentary by rabbis on Exodus] rightly points out was originally *he-mir'* or *he-mi'ru* Hiphil preterite third person, i.e. they have changed, instead of *a-mir'* future first person singular, i.e. I will change. Accordingly the text originally read:

My glory they have changed into shame
which the Sopherim altered into:

Their glory I will change into shame."
With this SyT agree. This case is one of the "Eighteen Emendations" of the Jewish Sopherim. Compare Genesis 18: 22, footnote a.

*Jer 12:4
Zep 1:3
Am 5:13

*Jer 18:18

*Jer 6:4

kJer 14:15
nJer 15:8

rIsa 5:13

sJer 2:8
Mal 2:7
Lu 11:52
tZec 11:8
Mal 2:2
u2K1 17:16
Isa 17:10
vIsa 3:14
yEzr 9:7
zRo 1:24
Mt 12:31

to their error they keep lifting up their^a soul.^b

9 "And it will have to become for the people the same as for the priest;^c and I shall certainly hold an accounting against them for their ways,^d and their dealings I shall bring back upon them.^e ¹⁰ And they will actually eat, but will not get satisfied.^f They will actually treat [women] as prostitutes; but they will not increase,^g because they have left off paying regard to Jehovah himself.^h ¹¹ Fornication and wine and sweet wine are what take away good motive.ⁱ ¹² Of their wooden [idol]^j my own people keep inquiring,^k and their own [hand] staff keeps telling them; because the very spirit of fornication has caused them to wander off,^l and by fornication they go out from under their God.^m ¹³ On the tops of the mountains they sacrifice,ⁿ and on the hills they make sacrificial smoke,^o under vigorous tree and storax tree and big tree, because its shade is good.^p That is why YOUR daughters commit fornication and YOUR own daughters-in-law commit adultery.^q

14 "Shall I not hold an accounting against YOUR daughters because they commit fornication, and against YOUR daughters-in-law because they commit adultery? For, as regards them, it is with the prostitute^r women that they get off to themselves,^s and with the female temple prostitutes^t that they sacrifice; and a people [that] does not understand will be trodden down.^u ¹⁵ Although you are committing fornication, O Israel,^v let not Judah become guilty,^w

^a "Their," about 20 Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; "his," M. ^b "Soul." Or, "soulful desire." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chai*; Vg, *a'ni-mae*. ^c Literally, "take away a heart," M. ^d Literally, "their tree," M. ^e "God." M, *Elo-him*.

*1Sa 2:29
Mic 3:11

QIsa 9:16
Isa 24:2

AJer 23:12
Am 3:2
QPr 5:22
Zec 1:6
Mic 6:14

QHo 9:11

*2Ch 24:18
Eze 18:24
2Pe 2:22

*Pr 6:32
Pr 20:1
Isa 28:7
kJer 2:27

nMic 2:11

rEze 16:17

sJer 3:6

tEze 6:13

uIsa 1:29

vEze 16:48

mLe 19:29
Le 21:7
y1Co 6:16
zDe 23:17
*Isa 44:18
Da 12:10
Ho 14:9
Ro 3:11
Eph 4:18
QEze 23:5
A2Ki 17:18
Jer 3:10

QHo 9:15
Am 4:4
*Ho 5:8
Ho 10:5
QIsa 48:1
Jer 5:2
*Jer 3:6

*Isa 22:18
kHo 11:2
Ho 13:2
nMt 15:14
rIsa 1:22

sHo 4:10
mPs 47:9
tMic 3:11

uJer 51:1

vIsa 42:17

yMal 1:6

z1Ki 14:7

*Ho 7:3

QMic 7:2

*Jer 46:18

*Isa 29:15

*2Ch 36:15

*Isa 7:5

*Am 3:2

*Zec 10:7

*Ho 4:18

kEze 23:5

nPs 78:8

rHo 4:12

sJer 9:6

tIsa 9:9

uIsa 28:1

vEze 23:31

Am 2:4

and do not you people come to Gil'gal,^o neither go up to Beth-a'ven^p nor swear 'As Jehovah is alive!^q ¹⁶ For, like a stubborn cow, Israel has become stubborn.^r Is it now that Jehovah will shepherd them like a young ram in a roomy place?^s ¹⁷ E'phra-im is joined with idols.^t Let him be to himself!^u ¹⁸ Their wheat beer^v being gone,^w they have positively treated [woman] as a prostitute.^x Her shielders^y have positively loved dishonor.^z ¹⁹ A wind^{aa} has wrapped her up in its wings.^{ab} And they will be ashamed of their sacrifices.^{ac}

5 "Hear this, O priests,^{ad} and pay attention, O house of Israel,^{ae} and you, O house of the king,^{af} give ear, for with you people the judgment has to do; because a trap^{ag} is what you have become to Miz'pah and as a net spread over Ta'bor.^{ah} ² And in slaughter work those falling away have gone deep down,^{ai} and I was an exhortation to all of them.^{aj} ³ I personally have known E'phra-im,^{ak} and Israel itself has not been hidden from me.^{al} For now, O E'phra-im,^{am} you have treated [women] like prostitutes;^{an} Israel has defiled itself.^{ao} ⁴ Their dealings do not permit of a returning to their God,^{ap} because there is a spirit of fornication in the midst of them;^{aq} and Jehovah himself they have not acknowledged.^{ar} ⁵ And the pride of Israel has testified to his face;^{as} and Israel and E'phra-im themselves are made to stumble in their error.^{at} Judah has also stumbled with them.^{au} ⁶ With their flock and with their herd they proceeded to go and look for Jehovah, but they could not

^a Or, "their liquor." M, *so'be*. ^b Or, "spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c "God." M, *Elo-him*.

find [him].^y He had drawn away from them.^y With Jehovah himself they have dealt treacherously,^z for it is to strange sons that they have become father.^{*a} Now a month will devour them with their portions.^o

8 "Blow a bugle^{aa} against Gib'e-ah,^o a trumpet^b against Ra'mah![†] Shout a war cry at Beth-aven^o—after you, O Benjamin!^x O E'phra-im, a mere object of astonishment you will become in the day of rebuke.^{*} Among the tribes of Israel I have made known trustworthy words.^k
 10 The princes of Judah have become just like those moving back a boundary.ⁿ Upon them I shall pour out my fury just like water.^r
 11 E'phra-im is oppressed, crushed in justice,^s for he had taken it upon himself to walk after his adversary.^{ct} 12 And I was like the moth^{du} to E'phra-im and just like rottenness to the house of Judah.^v

13 "And E'phra-im got to see his sickness,^y and Judah his ulcer.^z And E'phra-im proceeded to go to Assyria^{o*} and send to the King Ja'reb.^{co} But that one himself was unable to give healing to you people,^a and he could not take from you an ulcer with any cure.^o 14 For I shall be like a young lion to E'phra-im[†] and like a maned young lion to the house of Judah.^o I, I myself shall tear to pieces^{*} and I shall go [and] carry off, and there will be no deliverer.[†] 15 I shall go, I will return to my place^k until they bear their

^a Or, "sho'phar." ^b A straight trumpet; not like the sho'phar, which was curved like a ram's horn. See Numbers 10:2. ^c "His adversary," by a correction of M; literally, "a commandment," M; "vanities," LXXSy; "filth," Vg. ^d "Moth." Or, possibly, "putrefaction." LXX, "disturbance." ^e "King Ja'reb." Or, more literally, "a king [that] should contend," M.

yEze 8:18

zIsa 48:8
Jer 3:20
Mt 1:2
Ne 13:24
Zec 11:8AJer 4:5
Jg 20:9
Isa 7:17
Ho 4:15
Jg 5:14Isa 28:1
Ho 9:13
kIsa 48:3nDe 19:14
De 27:17
rEx 14:28
sDe 28:33t1K1 20:1
Isa 7:2
uIsa 50:9
vPr 14:30

y2K1 15:9

zJer 30:13

oNa 3:18
2K1 15:29
Ho 10:6

2Ch 28:20

Jer 30:15

Ps 7:2
Ho 13:7
Isa 31:4

Ps 50:22

Isa 5:29

k1K1 8:10
Eze 8:6n1K1 8:47
r2Ch 7:14
sDe 4:30
1Sa 13:6
tJer 2:27uIsa 55:7
Jer 3:22
vPs 50:22
Mt 8:8
yJer 33:6
zDe 32:39Isa 26:19
Eze 37:14
2K1 20:5
Da 12:2
Re 11:11
Isa 54:13
2Sa 23:4
2Pe 1:19
Mal 4:2
Isa 44:3Job 29:23
Jas 5:7

Isa 5:3

k2Ch 21:12

n1K1 19:17
Heb 4:12
rZep 3:5

sMt 12:7

tPr 21:3

oMic 6:6
uIsa 15:22v2K1 17:15
Heb 8:9
yIsa 48:8zJos 21:38
Ho 12:11
1K1 2:5
Isa 59:7
4Pr 1:11

Eze 22:25

1K1 12:25

guilt;ⁿ and they will certainly seek my face.^r When they are in sore straits,^s they will seek me.^t

6 "Come, you people, and do let us return to Jehovah,^u for he himself has torn in pieces^v and he will heal^o us.^y He proceeded to strike and he will bind us up.^z 2 He will make us alive after two days.^{*} On the third day he will make us get up, and we shall live before him.^o 3 And we will know, we will pursue to know Jehovah.^a Like dawn,^o his going forth is firmly established.^{*} And he will come in like a pouring rain to us;^o like a spring rain that saturates [the] earth."^x

4 "What shall I do to you, O E'phra-im? What shall I do to you, O Judah,^{*} when the loving-kindness^a of you people is like the morning clouds and like the dew that early goes away?^o That is why I shall have to hew [them] by the prophets;^k I shall have to kill them by the sayings of my mouth.ⁿ And the judgments upon you will be as the light that goes forth.^r 6 For in loving-kindness^a I have taken delight,^s and not in sacrifice;^t and in the knowledge of God^b rather than in whole burnt^o offerings.^u 7 But they themselves, like earthling man,^c have overstepped [the] covenant.^v There is where they have dealt treacherously with me.^y 8 Gil'e-ad^z is a town of practicers of what is harmful;^{*} their footprints are blood.^o 9 And as in the lying in wait for a man,^{da} the association of priests are marauding bands.^o By the wayside they commit murder at She'chem,^{*} because they have

^a Or, "loyal love." ^b "God." M, *El.ohim*. ^c Or, "like A'dam." M, *K'a.dam*. ^d "A man." M, *ish*.

carried on nothing but loose conduct.^{a 10} In the house of Israel I have seen a horrible thing.^a There there is fornication on the part of E'phraim.^a Israel has defiled itself.^{k 11} Furthermore, O Judah, a harvest has been fixed for you,ⁿ when I gather the captive ones of my people.^a

7 "At the time that I would bring healing to Israel,^r the error of E'phraim is also actually uncovered,^s and the bad things of Samaria;^t for they have practiced falsehood,^u and a thief himself comes in; a marauder band actually makes a dash on the outside.^{v 2} And they do not say to their own heart^y that all their badness I will remember.^z Now their dealings have surrounded them.^a In front of my face they have come to be.^{b 3} By their badness they make [the] king rejoice, and, by their lies, princes.^{a 4} All of them are adulterers,^c like a furnace set burning by a baker, [who] ceases poking after kneading dough until it is leavened.^{d 5} On the day of our king,^e princes have sickened themselves^f—there is a rage because of wine.^g He has drawn his hand along with deriders.^{h 6} For they have brought their heart near as to a furnace;ⁱ it is burning inside them.^k All night long their baker is sleeping; by morning [the furnace]^a is burning as with a flaming fire.^{n 7} They get hot, all of them, like the furnace, and they actually devour their judges.^r Their own kings have all fallen;^s none among them is calling out to me.^t

8 "As for E'phraim, it is among the peoples

^aEze 22:9

^aJer 5:30

^aJer 3:6
^k2Ki 17:7
ⁿJoe 3:13

^rDe 32:39

^sIsa 28:1
^tJer 6:16
^uEze 16:46
^vJer 9:3

^vHo 6:9

^yIsa 1:3
^zJer 14:10
^aPs 9:16
^bPr 5:22
^cPs 90:8
^dJer 32:19
^e1Ki 22:6
^fJer 5:31
^gRo 1:32
^hMal 3:5

ⁱJer 5:7
^jJer 13:27
^kJer 29:23
^lAm 6:1
^mAm 6:6
ⁿPr 20:1
^oIsa 5:11

^p2Sa 13:28
^qPr 4:16
^rMic 2:1

^s1Ki 15:28
^t1Ki 16:10
^u2Ki 15:10
^v2Ki 15:14
^wIsa 9:13
^xEze 22:30

^y2Sa 13:28

^zPr 4:16

^aMic 2:1

^b1Ki 15:28

^c1Ki 16:10

^d2Ki 15:10

^e2Ki 15:14

^fIsa 9:13

^gEze 22:30

^hPs 106:35
ⁱEze 23:5

^jRe 3:15

^k2Ki 13:3
^l2Ki 15:19
^mzPr 23:35

ⁿJer 3:3
^oIsa 9:13
^pJer 8:6
^qAm 4:6
^rZec 1:4
^sPs 14:2
^tRo 3:11
^uHo 11:11
^vPr 6:32
^w2Ki 17:4
^x2Ki 15:19
^yEze 23:5
^zJob 19:6
^aEze 12:13
^bZep 1:3

^cEc 9:12
^dMt 27:62
^eDe 28:15
^f2Ki 17:13
^g1Ti 5:20
^hIsa 31:1
ⁱEze 16:23
^jJon 1:3
^kIsa 41:14
^lMic 6:4
^mIsa 59:13
ⁿIsa 29:13
^oJer 3:10
^pIsa 52:5
^qJg 9:27

^rPs 94:12
^sHeb 12:6
^t2Ki 13:5
^uPr 6:14
^vJer 3:10
^wPs 78:57
^xAc 2:3
^yIsa 3:8
^zPs 79:4

^aPs 106:35
^bEze 23:5
^cRe 3:15
^d2Ki 13:3
^e2Ki 15:19
^fzPr 23:35
^gJer 3:3
^hIsa 9:13
ⁱJer 8:6
^jAm 4:6
^kZec 1:4
^lPs 14:2
^mRo 3:11
ⁿHo 11:11
^oPr 6:32
^p2Ki 17:4
^q2Ki 15:19
^rEze 23:5
^sJob 19:6
^tEze 12:13
^uZep 1:3
^vEc 9:12
^wMt 27:62
^xDe 28:15
^y2Ki 17:13
^z1Ti 5:20
^aIsa 31:1
^bEze 16:23
^cJon 1:3
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^wHeb 12:6
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^cIsa 3:8
^dPs 79:4

^ePs 94:12
^fHeb 12:6
^g2Ki 13:5
^hPr 6:14
ⁱJer 3:10
^jPs 78:57
^kAc 2:3
^lIsa 3:8
^mPs 79:4

that he personally mingles himself.^a E'phraim himself has become a round cake not turned on the other side.^{v 9} Strangers have eaten up his power,^y and he himself has not come to know [it].^z Also, gray hairs themselves have become white on him, but he himself has not come to know [it].¹⁰ And the pride of Israel has testified to his face,^a and they have not returned to Jehovah their God,^a nor have they looked for him because of all this.^{a 11} And E'phraim proves to be like a simple-minded dove^b without heart.^b To Egypt they have called;^c to As-syr'i-a they have gone.^{a 12} Whichever way they go, I shall spread out over them my net.^a Like flying^c creatures of the heavens I shall bring them down.^k I shall discipline them in agreement with the report to their assembly.^{en 13} Woe to them,^r for they have fled from me!¹⁴ Havoc to them, for they have transgressed against me! And I myself proceeded to redeem them,^t but they themselves have spoken lies even against me.^{u 14} And they did not call to me for aid with their heart,^v although they kept howling on their beds.^y On account of their grain and sweet wine they kept loafing about;^z they kept turning against me.¹⁵ And I, for my part, did disciplining;^a I strengthened their arms,^a but against me they kept scheming what was bad.^{a 16} And they proceeded to return, not to anything higher;^c they had become like a loose bow.^a By the sword their princes will fall because of the denunciation of their tongue.^{ca} This will be their derision in the land of Egypt.¹⁷

^a "[The furnace]." Literally, "it," in the masculine gender, to refer to the furnace.

^a "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^b Or, "good motive." M, *lëb*. ^c Literally, "not upward," M.

8 "To your mouth^a—a bugle!^b [One comes] like an eagle^c against the house of Jehovah,^k for the reason that they have overstepped my covenant,ⁿ and against my law they have transgressed.^r ² To me they keep crying, 'O my God, we, Israel, have known you.'^s

3 "Israel has cast off good.^t Let one who is an enemy^o pursue him.^u ⁴ They themselves have set up kings,^{ov} but not because of me. They have set up princes, but I did not know [it]. With their silver and their gold they have made for themselves idols,^v to the end that they^c may be cut off.^z ⁵ Your calf^o has been cast off,^{*} O Samar'ia. My anger has grown hot against them.² How long will they be incapable of innocence?^a ⁶ For from Israel was even this.^o A mere craftsman made it,^{*} and it is not God;^d because the calf of Samar'ia^o will become mere splinters.^{*}

7 "For it is wind^e that they keep sowing, and a stormwind is what they will reap.^{*} It has no standing grain.^k No sprout produces flour.ⁿ Should any perhaps produce [it], strangers themselves will swallow it down.^r

8 "Israel must be swallowed down.^s Now they must come to be among the nations,^t like a vessel in which there is no delight.^u ⁹ For they themselves have gone up to Assyr'ia,^v as a zebra isolated to itself.^y In Ephraim's case, they have hired lovers.^z ¹⁰ Also, although they keep hiring [them] among the nations,^{*} I shall now collect them together; and they will be a

#Jer 4:5
1Co 14:8
Ob 4

kJer 4:13
Hab 1:8
nJer 31:32

r2Kl 17:15
sIsa 48:1

tPs 36:3

oZep 3:15
uLe 26:36
oMt 2:2
v1Kl 12:20

y1Kl 12:28
z1Kl 13:34
oEx 32:4
*Ho 10:5

o2Kl 17:18
aJer 4:14
oPs 106:19

*Ps 135:15
Isa 44:9
Jer 10:3
o1Kl 12:28
*2Kl 23:15

#Job 4:8
Pr 22:8
Ga 6:7
kIsa 17:11
nJer 12:13

rDe 28:33
2Kl 15:29
s2Kl 18:11

tLe 26:33
uIsa 30:14

v2Kl 15:19
Eze 23:5
yJer 2:24

zEze 16:33

*Eze 16:37

#Jer 4:5
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kJer 4:13
Hab 1:8
nJer 31:32

r2Kl 17:15
sIsa 48:1

tPs 36:3

oZep 3:15
uLe 26:36
oMt 2:2
v1Kl 12:20

o2Kl 14:26

oAm 9:1

oIsa 10:11

+De 4:28

oDe 4:6
Ps 119:18
*2Kl 17:15

*Jer 7:21

k1Sa 15:22

nHo 9:9

rHo 9:3

sIsa 51:13

t1Kl 12:31

u2Ch 26:10

v2Kl 18:13
Jer 17:27

yHo 10:5

zEze 20:32

*Ho 4:12

oHo 2:12

+Ho 2:9

oIsa 24:7
Am 5:11
+Le 20:22
Jos 23:15
oHo 8:13
*2Kl 17:6

#Joe 1:13

kIsa 1:11

nDe 26:14

oMal 1:7

rLe 21:6
Nu 28:2

little while in severe pains^d because of the burden of king [and] princes.

11 "For Ephraim has multiplied altars^o in order to sin.^o He has come to have altars in order to sin.^a ¹² I proceeded to write for him many things of my law;^{*} just like something strange they have been accounted.^x ¹³ As my gift sacrifices they kept sacrificing flesh,^{*} and they kept eating what Jehovah himself took no pleasure in.^k Now he will remember their error and hold an accounting for their sins.ⁿ To Egypt they themselves proceeded to return.^r ¹⁴ And Israel began forgetting his Maker^s and building temples,^t and Judah, for his part, multiplied fortified cities.^u And I shall certainly send fire into his cities and it must devour the dwelling towers of [each] one."^v

9 "Do not rejoice, O Israel.^y Do not act joyful like the peoples.^z For by fornication you have gone from alongside your God.^{*} You have loved gifts of hire on all the threshing floors of grain.² ² Threshing floor and wine press do not feed them,^a and sweet wine itself proves disappointing to her.^o ³ They will not continue dwelling in the land of Jehovah,^{*} and Ephraim must return to Egypt,^o and in Assyr'ia they will eat what is unclean.^{*} ⁴ They will not continue pouring out wine to Jehovah himself,^{*} and they will not be gratifying to him.^k Their sacrifices are like the bread of times of mourningⁿ to them; all those eating it will defile themselves. For their bread^o is for their own soul;^a it will not come into the house of Jehovah.^r ⁵ What will you people do in the day of

^a Or, "selves." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chai'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*.

^a Literally, "palate." M. ^b Or, "sho'phar." ^c "They." LXXVgSy; "one (he)." M. ^d "God." M, *Elo.him'*; LXX, *The.os'*. ^e "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; Vg, *ven'tus*; see Genesis 1:2, footnote d.

meeting^s and in the day of the festival of Jehovah?^t ⁶ For, look! they will have to go because of violence.^u Egypt itself will collect them together;^v Mem'phis,^{ay} for its part, will bury them. As for their desirable things of silver, nettles themselves will take possession of them;^z thorny bushes will be in their tents.*

7 "The days of being given attention must come;² the days of the due payment must come.⁴ Those of Israel will know [it].⁶ The prophet will be foolish,^{*} the man^b of inspired expression^c will be maddened on account of the abundance of your error,⁸ even animosity being abundant."

8 The watchman^{*} of E'phraim was with my God.^{4e} As regards a prophet,^k there is the trap of a birdcatcher on all his ways;ⁿ there is an animosity in the house of his God.⁴ ⁹ They have gone down deep in bringing ruin,^{es} as in the days of Gib'e-ah.^t He will remember their error;^u he will give attention to their sins.

10 "Like grapes⁶ in the wilderness I found Israel.^v Like the early fig on a fig tree in its beginning I saw the forefathers² of you people.^y They themselves went in to Ba'al of Pe'or,^{fz} and they proceeded to dedicate themselves² to the shameful thing,^{*} and they came to be disgusting like [the thing of] their love.² ¹¹ As regards E'phraim, like a flying creature their

^a "Mem'phis," LXXVg; *Ma-phēs'*, Sy; *Ma-phēis'*, T; *Mōph*, M. ^b "Man." M, *ish*. ^c Or, "of inspiration." Literally, "of the spirit." M, *ha-ru'ahh*; LXX, *ho pneu.mato.pho'ros* ("bearing the spirit; inspired"); Vg, *spir.itu.ālis*. ^d "God." M, *Elo.him'*. ^e Literally, "They have made [it] deep, they have brought [it] to ruin," M. Possibly, by a correction, "They have made his pit deep." ^f Or, "Ba'al-pe'or." ^g Or, "to withdraw themselves; to hold themselves separate [for]."

sLe 23:2
Joe 1:14
tHo 2:11
u2Ki 13:7
vHo 7:16
Ho 8:13
Ho 11:11
yJer 44:1
zPr 24:31
*Isa 5:6

2Isa 10:3
Jer 10:15
Lu 19:44
ΔLu 21:22
2Eze 25:17
*Jer 6:14

2Jo 4:1
Re 16:14

*Isa 62:6

#1Ki 17:1
2Ki 2:14
k1Ki 18:19
n1Ki 22:6
Jer 14:13
sIsa 31:6

tJg 19:22
Ho 10:9
uHo 8:13

2Am 9:13

vDe 32:10
Jer 2:2
2Mal 2:10
yIsa 23:4
zNu 25:3
Ps 106:28

*1Ki 16:31
Jer 11:13
2Isa 66:3

4Jas 1:11

2De 28:18

*De 28:32
De 32:25
2De 31:17
2Ki 17:18
*Eze 23:4

*Eze 28:12
k2Ki 15:16

nLu 23:29
r2Ki 2:19
Job 3:16
Ps 58:8
sJos 4:19
1Sa 7:16
Ho 4:15
tEze 23:18

u2Ki 17:18
Ps 78:60
vIsa 1:23
Eze 22:27
yIsa 7:8

zJob 18:16

*Isa 5:24

2Eze 24:21

ΔIsa 7:13

22Ki 17:14

*De 28:64
Am 9:9

2Isa 5:1

*Zec 7:6

#Jer 2:28

k1Ki 14:23

n1Ki 18:21

glory flies away,⁴ so that there is no giving birth, and no [pregnant] belly and no conception.⁹ ¹² For although they bring up their sons, I will also bereave them of children so that there will be no man;^a because—woe also to them when I turn away from them!¹³ E'phraim,^{*} whom I have seen like Tyre planted in a pasture ground,⁸ even E'phraim is destined to a bringing out of his sons even to a killer.^k

14 Give to them, O Jehovah, what you should give.ⁿ Give them a miscarrying womb^r and breasts shriveling up.

15 "All their badness was in Gil'gal,^s for there I had to hate them.^t On account of the evil of their dealings I shall drive them away from my own house.^u I will not continue on loving them. All their princes are acting stubborn.^v ¹⁶ E'phraim must be struck down.^y Their very root must dry up.^z There will be no fruit that they produce.^{*} Also, in case they bring to birth, I will even put to death the desirable things of their belly."²

17 My God^b will reject them,⁴ for they have not listened to him,⁹ and they will become fugitives among the nations.^{*}

10 "Israel is a degenerating^c vine.⁶ Fruit he keeps putting forth for himself.^{*} In proportion to the abundance of his fruit he has multiplied [his] altars.⁸ In proportion to the goodness of his land, they put up good pillars.^k ² Their heart has become hypocritical;^{an} now they will be found guilty.

^a "Man." M, *a-dam'*. ^b "God." M, *Elo.him'*. ^c Or, if derived from another Hebrew verb of the same form, "luxuriant; outspreading." ^d Or, "smooth; slippery."

"There is one who will break their altars; he will despoil their pillars.^r ³ For now they will say, 'We have no king,^s for we have not feared Jehovah. And as regards the king, what will he do for us?'^t

4 "They speak words, making false oaths,^u concluding a covenant;^v and judgment has sprouted like a poisonous plant in the furrows of the open field.^y ⁵ For the calf [idols] of Betha'ven^z the residents of Samar'ia will get frightened,^z for over it its people will certainly mourn,^z as well as its foreign-god priests^a [who] used to be joyful over it,^a on account of its glory, because it will have gone into exile away from it.^z ⁶ Even it will one bring to As.syr'i'a itself as a gift to King Ja'reb.^b Shame is what E'phra'im himself will get,^z and Israel will be ashamed of its counsel.^z ⁷ Sa-mar'i'a [and] her king will certainly be silenced,^z like a snapped-off twig on the surface of waters. ⁸ And the high places of [Beth-]a'ven,^k the sin of Israel,ⁿ will actually be annihilated. Thorns and thistles^r themselves will come up upon their altars.^s And people will in fact say to the mountains, 'Cover us!' and to the hills, 'Fall over us!'^t

9 "From the days of Gib'e-ah^u you have sinned,^v O Israel. There they stood still. In Gib'e-ah war against the sons of unrighteousness did not get to overtake them.^y ¹⁰ When it is my desire I shall also discipline them.^z And against them peoples will certainly be gathered when there is a harnessing of them to their two errors.^z ¹¹ And E'phra'im was a trained heifer

^a "Foreign-god priests." M, *kh'ma.rim'*; "Chem'a.rim." Vg, "temple keepers." ^b "King Ja'reb." See Hosea 5:13, footnote e.

rIsa 5:4
Jer 43:13
sHo 3:4
Ho 13:11

tMic 4:9

u2Ki 17:4
Eze 17:13
vHo 6:7
yDe 29:18

zIsa 5:7
Am 5:7
Ac 8:23
zJos 7:2

Ho 4:15
*1Ki 12:28
2Ki 10:29
2Ch 11:15

Ho 8:5
oJg 18:24
a2Ki 23:5
Zep 1:4

*Isa 4:21
Ho 9:11
*2Ki 17:3
Ho 5:13

*Isa 1:29
Jer 2:26
zEze 6:13
*Isa 30:3
Mic 6:16

*2Ki 17:4

kHo 4:15

nDe 9:21

rIsa 32:13

s2Ki 23:15

tIsa 2:19
Re 6:16
uJg 20:5

vHo 9:9

yJg 20:19

zEze 5:13
Heb 12:6

*1Ki 14:16
Eze 16:37

oHo 4:16

a2Ki 17:6
o2Ch 28:5
*Isa 28:24

*Pr 11:18
Isa 32:20
*Mt 5:7
*Jer 4:3

kPs 105:4
Isa 55:6
Lu 13:24
nDe 32:2

rGa 6:7
sPr 22:8
Ho 8:7

tPr 1:31
Pr 18:20
uPs 62:10

vPs 33:16
Ps 62:9
Ps 146:3
yPs 74:23
z2Ki 18:9

*2Ki 18:34

oIsa 13:16
Jer 13:14

aAm 7:9

o2Ki 18:10
Ho 10:3

*De 7:7
Jer 2:2
*Ex 4:22
Mt 2:15

*De 29:2
2Ch 36:15
*2Ch 36:16

k2Ki 17:16

n1Ki 12:33
Isa 65:7

loving to thresh,^o and I, for my part, passed over her beautiful neck. I make [someone] ride E'phra'im.^a Judah plows;^o Jacob harrows for him.^a ¹² Sow seed for yourselves in righteousness,^o reap in accord with loving-kindness.^a Till for yourselves arable land,^z when there is time for searching for Jehovah until he comes^k and gives instruction in righteousness to you.ⁿ

13 "You people have plowed wickedness.^r Unrighteousness is what you have reaped.^s You have eaten the fruitage of lying,^t for you have trusted in your way,^u in the multitude of your mighty ones.^v ¹⁴ And an uproar has risen among your people,^y and your own fortified cities will all be despoiled,^z as with the despoiling by Shal'man of the house of Ar'bel,^z in the day of battle [when] a mother herself was dashed to pieces alongside [her] own sons.^z ¹⁵ In this way one^b will certainly do to you people, O Beth'el,^c because of YOUR extreme badness.^a In the dawn the king of Israel will positively have to be silenced."^o

11 "When Israel was a boy,^d then I proceeded to love him,^e and out of Egypt I called my son.^z

2 "They^e called them.^z To that same extent they went away from before them.^f To the Ba'al images^g they took up sacrificing,^k and to the graven images they began making sacrificial smoke.ⁿ ³ But as for me, I taught E'phra-

^a Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^b Or, "he." MVg. "I." LXX. ^c "they." Sy. ^d "Beth'el." MVgSy; "house of Israel." LXX. ^e Or, "lad; young man." ^f "They." MVgSy; "I." LXX. ^g "From before them." MVgT; "from my face." LXXSy. ^h Or, "Ba'als." M, *B'a'alim*; LXXVg, *Baalim*.

im to walk,^r taking them upon [my]^a arms;^r and they did not recognize that I had healed them.^t ^aWith the ropes of earthling man^b I kept drawing them,^u with the cords of love,^v so that I became to them as those lifting off a yoke^o on their jaws,^v and gently I brought food to [each] one.^z ^oHe will not return to the land of Egypt, but Assyr'i'a will be his king,^o because they refused to return.^a ^oAnd a sword will certainly whirl about in his cities^o and make an end of his bars and devour^r because of their counsels.^o ^oAnd my people are tending toward unfaithfulness to me.^x And upward they call it;^o no one at all does any rising up.^k

8 "How can I give you up, O E'phra-im?"ⁿ [How] can I deliver you up, O Israel?^r How can I set you as Ad'mah?^s [How] can I place you like Ze'boi'im?^t My heart has changed within me;^u at the same time my compassions have grown hot.^v ^oI shall not express my burning anger.^v I shall not bring E'phra-im to ruin again,^z for I am God^d and not man,^o the Holy One in the midst of you;^o and I shall not come in excitement.^a ^oAfter Jehovah they will walk.^t Like a lion he will roar,^r for he himself will roar^o and sons will come trembling from the west.^x ^oLike a bird^o they will come trembling out of Egypt^o and like a dove out of the land of Assyr'i'a,^k and I shall certainly make them dwell in their houses,^r is the utterance of Jehovah.ⁿ

12 "With lying, E'phra-im has surrounded me,^r and with deception the house of Israel.

^a "[My]," in agreement with LXXVgSy; "his," or, "one's," M. ^b "Earthling man," M, *a.dam'*. ^c "It," in the masculine gender, to refer to "my people." ^d "God," M, *El*. ^e "Man," M, *ish*; LXX, *an'thro-pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*.

s2Kl 18:4
Ho 4:15
t2Ch 29:2

uJer 22:22
vHo 8:7
y2Kl 17:4

z2Kl 15:19
*Ho 7:11
DMic 6:2

A2Kl 17:19
Ho 4:9
Isa 3:11
Isa 59:18
Mt 16:27
*Ge 25:26
*Job 40:16
Isa 40:26
*Ge 32:28
CZec 1:9

*Ge 32:25
kGe 32:26
nGe 28:19
rGe 28:13
sGe 28:16
Ge 32:30
tEx 3:15
Ps 135:13
uIsa 31:6
Jer 3:14
vEx 20:6
Ps 136:1
yPs 37:28
zPs 27:14
*Eze 17:4
Pr 11:1
AEze 22:29
EPs 49:6
Zec 11:5
Re 3:17

But Judah is yet roaming with God,^{as} and with the Most Holy One^b he is trustworthy.^{ct}

12 "E'phra-im is feeding on wind^{du} and chasing after the east wind all day long.^v Falsehood and havoc are what he multiplies.^v He will pay back for it. And a covenant with Assyr'i'a they conclude,^z and to Egypt oil itself is brought.^o

2 "And Jehovah has a legal case with Judah,^o even to hold an accounting against Jacob according to his ways;^a according to his dealings he will repay him.^o ^oIn the belly he seized his brother by the heel,^o and with his dynamic energy^o he contended with God.^o ^oAnd he kept contending with an angel^o and gradually prevailed.^o He wept, that he might implore favor for himself.^k

At Beth'el He got to find him,ⁿ and there he began talking with us.^{gr} ^oAnd Jehovah the God^t of the armies,^{hs} Jehovah is his memorial.^t

6 "And as regards you, to your God^t you should return,^u keeping loving-kindness^{lv} and justice;^v and let there be a hoping in your God^t constantly.^z ^oAs regards [the] tradesman,^j in his hand are the balances of deception;^o to defraud is what he has loved.^a ^oAnd E'phra-im keeps saying, 'Indeed, I have become rich;^o I

^a "God," M, *El*. ^b "The Most Holy One." M, *Q'do-shim'*; the plural number of *ga-dosh'* ("holy"), but being the plural number of excellency, to correspond with "God." Compare Proverbs 9:10, footnote b; Proverbs 30:3, footnote c. See also Gesenius' *Hebrew Grammar*, 2nd edition, § 124h. ^o Or, "even with the Most Holy One, Who is trustworthy." ^d "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^o Or, "he supplanted his brother." ^f "God," M, *El-o-him'*. ^g "Him," LXXSy; "us," MVgT. ^h "The God of the armies," MVg; "the God almighty," LXX. ⁱ Or, "loyal love." ^j "Tradesman." M, *K'na'an*; LXXVg, *Chanaan*.

have found valuable things for myself.* As regards all my toiling, they will find, on my part, no error that is sin.²

9 "But I am Jehovah your God^a from the land of Egypt.* Yet I shall make you dwell in the tents as in the days of an appointed time.¹⁰ And I spoke to the prophets,^k and visions¹¹ I myself multiplied,ⁿ and by the hand of the prophets I kept making likenesses.¹² With Gil'e-ad^b what is uncanny,^s also untruth,^t have occurred. In Gil'gal they have sacrificed even bulls.^u Moreover, their altars are^c like piles of stones in the furrows of the open field.^v ¹² And Jacob proceeded to run away to the field of Syria,^d and Israel^z kept serving for a wife,^e and for a wife he guarded [sheep].¹³ And by a prophet Jehovah brought up Israel out of Egypt,^a and by a prophet he was guarded.¹⁴ E'phraim caused offense to bitterness,¹⁵ and his deeds of bloodshed he leaves upon his own self,¹⁶ and his reproach his grand Master^f will repay to him.¹⁷"

13 "When E'phraim spoke, there was trembling;¹⁸ he himself carried [weight] in Israel.^k But he proceeded to become guilty in regard to Ba'alⁿ and die.¹⁹ ² And now they commit additional sin^s and make for themselves a molten statue from their silver,^t idols according to their own understanding,^u the work of craftsmen, all of it.^v To them they are saying,

* "God," M, *Elo-him*'. ^b "With Gil'e-ad," by a slight correction; "If at Gil'e-ad," M. ^c Or, "will be." ^d "Syria," LXXVg; "A'ram," MSy. ^e Or, "woman." M, *ish-shah*'. ^f "Grand Master." M, *A.donim*'; the plural number of *a.don*, but the plural number of excellence or grandeur, accompanied by the verb "repay" in the singular number. Compare Genesis 39:2, footnote d.

*De 8:17

*Pr 30:12

*Ex 20:2
*Jer 35:7
k1Kl 17:1
2Kl 17:13
*Hab 2:2nNu 12:6
Ac 2:17
rIsa 5:1
Jer 13:1
s1Sa 15:23
tEze 13:8uAm 4:4
v2Kl 17:10yDe 26:5
zGe 32:28
*Ge 29:18
*Ge 31:38AEx 12:51
1Sa 12:8
*2Kl 17:7
Eze 23:5*Eze 33:5
*De 28:37

*2Ch 28:10

kJos 17:17

n2Kl 17:16
rPs 78:67
s1Kl 12:32

tJer 10:4

uIsa 44:17

vJer 10:3

y1Kl 12:28
1Kl 19:18
zHo 6:4*Ps 1:4
Isa 17:13*Ex 20:2
Ps 81:10
Ho 12:9
AIsa 43:11
Isa 45:21*De 2:7
Jer 2:2
*Ps 63:1
*De 8:12
*De 32:15*De 6:12
Isa 17:10
kHo 5:14

nJer 5:6

r2Sa 17:8
Pr 17:12

sHeb 4:12

tLa 3:10

uIsa 56:9

vPr 6:32

yPs 33:20
Ps 46:1

z2Kl 17:4

*1Sa 8:5
1Sa 12:20
1Kl 12:20
*1Sa 8:71Sa 12:13
A1Sa 15:28*De 32:34
Ro 2:5*Ps 48:6
Isa 13:8

*Pr 22:3

'Let the sacrificers who are men^a kiss mere calves.^y ³ Therefore they will become like the clouds of morning^z and like the dew that early goes away; like chaff that is storm away from the threshing floor^{*} and like smoke from the [roof] hole.

4 "But I am Jehovah your God^b from the land of Egypt,^c and no God^b except me did you use to know; and there was no savior but I.^d ⁵ I myself knew you in the wilderness,^e in the land of fevers.^f ⁶ According to their pasturage they also came to be satisfied.^g They became satisfied and their heart began to be exalted.^h That is why they forgot me.ⁱ ⁷ And I shall become to them like a young lion.^k Like a leopard by [the] way I shall keep looking.ⁿ ⁸ I shall encounter them like a bear that has lost its cubs,^r and I shall rip apart the enclosure of their heart.^s And I shall devour them there like a lion;^t a wild beast of the field itself will tear them to pieces.^u ⁹ It will certainly bring you to ruin,^v O Israel, because it was against me, against your helper.^y

10 "Where, then, is your king, that he may save you in all your cities,^z and your judges, [concerning] whom you said, 'Do give me a king and princes?'^{*} ¹¹ I proceeded to give you a king in my anger,^c and I shall take [him] away in my fury.^d

12 "The error of E'phraim is wrapped up, his sin is treasured up.^e ¹³ The labor pangs of a woman giving birth are what will come to him.^f He is a son not wise,^g for in season he will not

* Literally, "the sacrificers of an earthing man [*a.dam*]," M. ^b "God," M, *Elo-him*'. ^c Or, "droughts."

stand still at the breaking forth of sons [from the womb].^a

14 "From the hand of She'ol^a I shall redeem them;^b from death^b I shall recover^c them.^k Where are your stings, O Death?^{bn} Where is your destructiveness, O She'ol?^{dr} Compassion itself will be concealed from my eyes.¹³ In case he himself as the son of reed plants should show fruitfulness,^t an east wind, the wind^e of Jehovah, will come.^u From a wilderness it is coming up, and it will dry up his well and drain his spring.^v That one will pillage the treasure of all desirable articles.^v

16 "Sa-mar'ia will be held guilty,^z for she is actually rebellious² against her God.^f By the sword they will fall.^{*} Their own children will be dashed to pieces,² and their pregnant women themselves will be ripped up."^{2a}

14 "Do come back, O Israel, to Jehovah your God,^f for you have stumbled in your error.^{*} Take with yourselves words and come back to Jehovah.² Say to him, all you people, 'May you pardon error;^{*} and accept what is good,² and we will offer in return the young bulls of our lips.^{sk} Ass-syr'ia itself will not save us.² Upon horses we shall not ride.^r And no more shall we say: "O our God!"^r to the work of our hands,^s because it is by you that a fatherless boy is shown mercy.'^t

4 "I shall heal their unfaithfulness.^u I shall

^a "She'ol." M, *sh'öl*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *mors* ("death"). ^b "Death." M, *ma'veth*; LXX, *tha'na'tos*; Vg, *mors*. ^c Or, "repurchase." ^d "She'ol." M, *sh'öl*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *in-fer'nus*. ^e "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *a'ne-mos*; Vg, *ven'tus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^f "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^g "The young bulls of our lips," MVg; "the fruit of our lips," LXX.

*2Ki 19:3
Isa 37:3

*Ps 30:3
Ps 49:15
kIsa 25:8
Eze 37:12
nIsa 26:19
1Co 15:55
rRe 20:13
sIsa 15:29
Jer 15:6
tGe 41:52
Ge 49:22
uIsa 17:13
Jer 4:11
Ho 4:19
vHo 9:11
yNa 2:9

z2Ki 17:18
CGe 14:4
*Isa 7:8
2Ki 8:12
Isa 13:16
42Ki 15:16
Am 1:13

1Isa 7:3
2Ch 30:6
Isa 55:6
Jer 2:19
La 4:6
2Sa 12:13
*2Sa 24:10
Ps 51:2
*Mic 6:8
kPs 69:31
Heb 13:15
nHo 5:13
rDe 17:16
Ps 33:17
cNa 1:14
sIsa 2:20
tPs 10:14
uIsa 57:18

vDe 7:7
Zep 3:17
yPs 78:38
2Co 5:19
zDe 32:2

*Ca 2:1
2Ki 19:30
Ps 72:16
Eze 17:6
Ps 52:8
*Ca 4:11
*Ps 91:1
*Zec 8:12

*Ho 14:2
Ac 19:18

kJer 31:18
nIsa 41:19
Isa 55:13
Isa 60:13

sPs 107:43
Pr 1:5
tMt 24:45
uPr 10:29
vJob 17:9

yLu 7:23

^a "I shall become." M, *Eh-yeh'* (היה), as in Exodus 3:14, where see footnote d. ^b Or, "The mention of Him." ^c Literally, "What to me yet to the idols?" M. See Joshua 22:24, footnote b; also Matthew 8:29, footnote e.

love them of [my] own free will,^v because my anger has turned back from him.^v ^a I shall become^a like the dew to Israel.² He will blossom like the lily,^{*} and will strike his roots like Leb'a-non.² ^b His twigs will go forth,^a and his dignity will become like that of the olive tree,² and his fragrance will be like that of Leb'a-non.^a ^c They will again be dwellers in his shadow.² They will grow grain, and will bud like the vine.^x His memorial^b will be like the wine of Leb'a-non.

8 "E'phra-im [will say], 'What do I have to do any longer with the idols?'^c"

"I myself shall certainly give an answer and I shall keep looking on him.^k I am like a luxuriant juniper tree.ⁿ From me must fruit for you be found."

9 Who is wise, that he may understand these things?^s Discreet, that he may know them?^t For the ways of Jehovah are upright,^u and the righteous are the ones who will walk in them;^v but the transgressors are the ones who will stumble in them.^v

JOEL^a

1 The word of Jehovah that occurred^a to Joel^a the son of Pe-thu'el:

2 "Hear this, you older men, and give ear, all you inhabitants of the land.^b Has this occurred in your days, or even in the days of your forefathers?^c Concerning it give an account to your own sons, and your sons to their sons, and their sons to the following generation.^d What was left by the caterpillar, the locust^e has eaten; and what was left by the locust, the creeping, unwinged locust^e has eaten; and what the creeping, unwinged locust^e has left, the cockroach has eaten.^f

5 "Wake up, you drunkards,^g and weep; and howl,^h all you wine drinkers, on account of sweet wine, for it has been cut off from your mouths.ⁱ For there is a nation that has come up into my land, mighty and without number.^k Its teeth are the teeth of a lion,^l and it has the jawbones^m of a lion.ⁿ It has set my vine^o as an object of astonishment,^r and my fig tree as a stump.^s It has positively stripped it bare and thrown [it] away.^t The twigs of it have become white.^u Wail,^v as a virgin^w girded with sackcloth does^x over the owner^y of her youth.

^a "Joel." M, *Yo.él'*; meaning "Jehovah is God [*El*]." Though it has the two component parts reversed, it has the same meaning as the name E-li'jah. See 1 Kings 17:1, footnote e. ^b Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^c "The creeping, unwinged locust." M, *yel'eq*. See Psalm 105:34, footnote a. ^d M, *ar.yēh'*; the African lion. ^e M, *la.bi'*; the Asiatic lion. ^f "Wail." In the feminine gender, singular number, imperative mood. ^g "Owner." M, *ba'al*; LXX, *a-nēr*; Vg, *vir*; = "husband."

*Jer 1:2
Eze 1:3
Ho 1:1
2Pe 1:21

□Ps 49:1
Isa 34:1
Jer 5:21

△De 4:32
Mt 24:21

◊Ex 13:14
De 6:7
Ps 78:4
◊Na 3:15

*Joe 2:25
Am 4:9
Isa 28:1
Am 6:6
Lu 21:34
*Jer 4:8
Jas 5:1

*Isa 32:10
kJoe 2:2
mNu 23:24
Re 9:8
nPs 55:6
CZec 3:10

rIsa 5:7
Jer 2:21
sJer 8:13
tJer 48:32
◊Mt 1:23
uIsa 22:12
Jer 9:17
vGe 20:3

yLe 2:1
Joe 2:14
zEx 29:40
Ho 9:4
*Joe 2:17
□Isa 2:11
2Ch 13:10
Ps 103:21
△Le 26:20
◊Isa 24:4
Jer 12:11
*Isa 24:7
Ho 9:2
◊Jer 14:3

*Isa 17:11
Jer 9:12

◊Ge 1:11

*Isa 9:3
Eze 17:9
kJer 4:8
Eze 7:18
nEx 30:20

rLe 2:8

sNu 29:6
t2Ch 20:3
uNe 8:18

v2Ch 20:13
Ne 9:3
yJon 3:8
zJer 30:7
*Zep 1:14
Isa 13:6
Zep 1:14
2Pe 3:10
◊Ge 17:1
CGe 1:29
Zep 1:7
Zep 2:2
◊Ob 15
△De 12:7

9 "Grain offering^y and drink offering^z have been cut off from the house of Jehovah; the priests,^a the ministers of Jehovah,^b have mourned.¹⁰ [The] field has been despoiled,^a [the] ground has gone to mourning;^g for [the] grain has been despoiled, [the] new wine has been dried up,^h [the] oil has faded away.ⁱ Farmers have felt shame;^g vinedressers have howled,^a on account of wheat and on account of barley; for the harvest of [the] field has perished.^k The vine itself has shown dryness, and even the fig tree has faded away. As for [the] pomegranate tree, also [the] palm tree and [the] apple tree, all the trees^o of the field, they have dried up; for exultation has gone ashamed away from the sons of mankind.^b

13 "Gird yourselves, and beat your breasts,^k you priests. Howl, you ministers of [the] altar.ⁿ Come in, spend the night in sackcloth, you ministers of my God;^c for from the house of your God^e grain offering^r and drink offering have been withheld.^s Sanctify a time of fasting.^t Call together a solemn assembly.^u Gather together [the] older men, all the inhabitants of the land,^d to the house of Jehovah your God,^c and cry to Jehovah for aid.^v

15 "Alas for the day;^o because the day of Jehovah is near,^e and like havoc from the Almighty^o One^e it will come!¹⁰ Has not food^o itself been cut off before our very eyes; from the house of our God,^c rejoicing and joyfulness?^a

^a Or, "Feel shame, you farmers; howl, you vinedressers." ^b Or, "earthling man." M, *a-dam'*. ^c "God." M, *Elo-him'*. ^d Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^e "The Almighty One." M, *Shad-da'i*. Compare Genesis 17:1, footnote i.

¹⁷ Dried figs^a have shriveled under their shovels. Storehouses have been laid desolate. Barns^b have been torn down, for [the] grain has dried up. ¹⁸ O how the domestic animal has sighed! [How] the droves of cattle have wandered in confusion! For there is no pasturage for them.^c Also, the droves of the sheep have been the ones made to bear guilt.

19 "To you, O Jehovah, I shall call;^d for fire itself has devoured the pasture grounds of [the] wilderness, and a very flame has consumed all the trees of the field.^e ²⁰ The beasts of the field also keep longing for you,^f because the channels of water have dried up,^g and fire itself has devoured the pasture grounds of the wilderness."

2 "Blow a horn^h in Zion,^k O men, and shout a war cryⁿ in my holy mountain.^r Let all the inhabitants of the land^a get agitated,^s for the day of Jehovah is coming,^t for it is near! ² It is a day of darkness^o and gloominess,^u a day of clouds and thick gloom, like light of dawn spread out upon the mountains.^v

"There is a people numerous and mighty,^y one like it has not been made to exist from the indefinite past,^z and after it there will be none again to the years of generation after generation.^o ³ Ahead of it a fire has devoured,^z and behind it a flame consumes.^a Like the garden^c of Eden^o the land^d is ahead of it;^o but behind it is a desolate^o wilderness, and there has also proved to be nothing thereof escaping.

4 "Its appearance is like the appearance of horses, and like steeds is the way they keep

^a "Dried figs." Or, "Grain seeds." ^b Or, possibly, "Tanks." ^c Or, "sho'phar." ^d Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^e "Garden," M; "Paradise," LXX; *hor'tus*, Vg; *par.dai'sa*, Sy.

¹Ki 18:5
Jer 12:4

¹Ps 50:15
Ps 91:15

¹Jer 9:10
Am 7:4
¹Job 38:41
Ps 104:21
Ps 145:15
Ps 147:9

¹Ki 17:7
1Ki 18:5
¹Zep 1:16
kNu 10:3
Jer 4:5
nEze 33:3
Am 3:6
Zep 1:16
rPs 87:1
Zep 3:11
¹Na 1:8
sIsa 64:2
tOb 15
Zep 1:14
2Th 2:2
uPs 97:2
Jer 13:16
Am 5:18
vAm 4:13
vJoe 1:6
zEx 10:14

¹Mt 1:17
¹Mr 13:19
¹Ge 2:8
¹Ps 50:3
4Am 7:4

¹Zep 1:13
¹Ge 13:10
Isa 51:3
Eze 31:8

¹Hab 3:8
Re 9:7

¹Na 2:3
Na 3:2
Re 9:9
¹Isa 5:24
¹Mt 3:12
¹Joe 2:2
kIsa 13:8
Jer 30:6

nNa 2:10
r2Sa 1:23
Ps 19:5
sJer 6:4

tPr 30:27

uRe 9:9
vJer 9:21
yPs 18:7
Na 1:5
zIsa 34:4
¹Zep 2:14
¹Eze 32:7
Joe 3:15
Mt 24:29
Lu 21:25
Ac 2:20
¹Hab 3:11
¹Na 3:16
¹Isa 13:10
Am 5:8
¹Am 4:10
¹2Sa 22:14
Ps 46:6
Isa 42:13
Jer 25:30
Am 1:2
¹Isa 13:4
¹Joe 2:2
¹Jer 30:7
Am 5:18
Zep 1:15
¹Nu 24:23
Na 1:6
Re 6:17
¹Jer 4:1
Ho 12:6
kNe 9:1
Isa 22:12
n2Ki 22:19
Ps 34:18
r2Sa 1:11
sEx 34:6

running.⁺ ⁵ As with the sound of chariots^o on the tops of the mountains they keep skipping about,^g as with the sound of a flaming fire that is devouring stubble.⁺ It is like a mighty people, drawn up in battle order.⁺ ⁶ Because of it, peoples will be in severe pains.^k As for all faces, they will certainly collect a glow [of excitement].ⁿ

7 "Like powerful men^a they run.^r Like men of war they go up a wall.^s And they go each one in his own ways, neither do they alter their paths.^t ⁸ And one another they do not shove. As an able-bodied man^b in his course, they keep going; and should some fall even among the missiles, the [others] do not break off course.^u

9 "Into the city they rush. On the wall they run. On the houses they go up. Through the windows^o they go in like the thief.^v ¹⁰ Before it [the] land^c has become agitated,^y [the] heavens have rocked.^z Sun and moon^o themselves have become dark,⁺ and the very stars^o have withdrawn their brightness.^z ¹¹ And Jehovah himself will certainly give forth his voice^a before his military force,^o for his camp^o is very numerous.⁺ For he who is carrying out his word is mighty; for the day of Jehovah is great^o and very fear-inspiring, and who can hold up under it?⁺

12 "And now also," the utterance of Jehovah is, "come back to me with all YOUR hearts,⁺ and with fasting and with weeping and with wailing.^k ¹³ And rip apart YOUR hearts,ⁿ and not YOUR garments;^r and come back to Jehovah YOUR God,^d for he is gracious and merciful,^s slow

^a Or, "mighty men." M, *gib.bo.rim'*. ^b "An able-bodied man." M, *geb'er*. ^c Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^d "God." M, *El-o-him'*.

to anger^t and abundant in loving-kindness,^{au} and he will certainly feel regret on account of the calamity.^v ¹⁴ Who is there knowing whether he will turn back and actually feel regret^v and let remain after it a blessing,^z a grain offering and a drink^o offering for Jehovah YOUR God?^b

¹⁵ "Blow a horn^c in Zion, O men." Sanctify a time of fasting.^o Call together a solemn assembly.^a ¹⁶ Gather [the] people together. Sanctify a congregation.^o Collect [the] old men together.⁺ Gather children and those sucking the breasts together.^o Let [the] bridegroom go forth from his interior room, and [the] bride from her nuptial chamber.^{*}

¹⁷ "Between the porch and the altar[#] let the priests, the ministers of Jehovah, weep and say, 'Do feel sorry, O Jehovah, for your people, and do not make your inheritance a reproach, for nations to rule over them.^k Why should they say among the peoples: "Where is their God?"'^{bn} ¹⁸ And Jehovah will be zealous for his land^{dr} and will show compassion^o upon his people.^s ¹⁹ And Jehovah will answer and say to his people, 'Here I am sending to you the grain and the new wine and the oil, and you people will certainly be satisfied with it;^t and I shall not make you any more a reproach^o among the nations.^u ²⁰ And the northerner^e I shall put far away from upon you,^v and I shall actually disperse him to a waterless land and desolated waste, with his face to the eastern sea and his rear section to the western^f sea.^y And the stink from him will

^a Or, "loyal love." M, *hes'ed*. ^b "God." M, *Elo-him'*. ^c Or, "sho-phar." M, *er'ets*. ^e Possibly, "chirper," by a correction of M. ^f Literally, "hinder," M; that is, to one's back when one is facing east.

tNu 14:18
uPs 86:15
vPs 106:45
vJer 18:8
zHag 2:19
oGe 35:14
*Nu 10:3
vJer 36:9
a2Ki 10:20
cMic 2:5
vEx 19:10
*Joe 1:14
e2Ch 20:13
*1Co 7:5
*Mt 23:35
kPs 44:14
Isa 37:20
nDe 32:27
Ps 42:10
Mic 7:10
Mt 27:43
rIsa 42:13
Zec 1:14
oZec 11:5
sDe 32:36
Ps 103:13
Lu 15:20
Jas 5:11
tIsa 62:8
Am 9:13
Mal 3:10
oLu 1:25
uEze 34:29
Eze 36:15
vEx 10:19
yDe 11:24

zIsa 34:3
*Isa 28:21
oMal 2:5
cIsa 41:10
Zep 3:18
1Jo 4:18
aPs 65:12
Ps 96:11
Ho 2:21
De 4:32
tIsa 12:16
Ps 77:19
Ps 126:3
Jer 33:3
*Ps 36:6
Isa 30:23
ePs 65:12
Zec 8:12
*Ps 67:6
*Eze 34:27
kPs 28:7
Isa 12:6
Hab 3:18
nLe 26:4
rDe 11:14
Pr 16:15
Jas 10:1
Jas 5:7
sLe 26:10
Pr 3:10
Am 9:13
Mal 3:10
tJoe 1:4
uLe 26:5
De 6:11
Ps 22:26
vDe 26:10
vPs 13:6
Ps 72:18
Isa 25:1
zPs 25:2
Ps 37:19
Zep 3:11
Ro 5:5
*Le 26:11
Ps 46:5
oDe 4:35
1Ki 8:60
Isa 45:5
a1Pe 2:6

certainly ascend, and the stench from him will keep ascending;^z for He will actually do a great thing^{*} in what He does.[']

²¹ "Do not be fearful,^o O ground.^o Be joyful and rejoice;^a for Jehovah will actually do a great thing in what He does.^o ²² Do not be fearful, you beasts of the open field,⁺ for the pasture grounds of [the] wilderness will certainly grow green.^o For the tree will certainly give its fruitage.^{*} The fig tree and the vine will certainly give their vital energy.^{*} ²³ And, you sons of Zion, be joyful and rejoice in Jehovah YOUR God;^{ak} for he will be bound to give you the autumn rain^b in right measure,ⁿ and he will bring down upon you people a downpour, autumn rain and spring rain, as at the first.^r ²⁴ And the threshing floors must be full of [cleansed] grain, and the press vats must overflow with new wine and oil.^s ²⁵ And I will make compensation to you for the years that the locust, the creeping, unwinged locust, and the cockroach and the caterpillar have eaten, my great military force that I have sent among you.^t ²⁶ And you will certainly eat, eating and becoming satisfied,^u and you will be bound to praise the name of Jehovah YOUR God,^{av} who has done with you so wonderfully;^y and my people will not be ashamed to time indefinite.^z ²⁷ And you people will have to know that I am in the midst of Israel,^{*} and that I am Jehovah YOUR God^a and there is no other.^o And my people will not be ashamed to time indefinite.^{ca}

^a "God." M, *Elo-him'*. ^b "Autumn rain"; by a correction of M. Literally, "instructor," M. ^c In M chapter 2 ends with this verse (27); but in VgSyT chapter 2 continues on, absorbing chapter 3 of M.

28 "And after that it must occur that I shall pour out my spirit^a on every sort of flesh,^b and YOUR sons^c and YOUR daughters^c will certainly prophesy. As for YOUR old men, dreams they will dream.^c As for YOUR young men, visions they will see.²⁹ And even on the menservants and on the maidservants³ in those days I shall pour out my spirit.^{ak}

30 "And I will give portents in the heavensⁿ and on the earth, blood³ and fire³ and columns of smoke.^p ³¹ The sun itself will be turned into darkness,^r and the moon into blood,^s before the coming of the great and fear-inspiring day of Jehovah.^t ³² And it must occur that everyone who calls on the name of Jehovah will get away safe;^u for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will prove to be the escaped ones,^v just as Jehovah has said, and among the survivors,^b whom Jehovah is calling."^{cy}

3 "For, look! in those days and in that time,^z when I shall bring back the captive ones of Judah^o and Jerusalem,^o ² I will also collect together all the nations^{co} and bring them down to the low plain of Je-hosh'a.phat;⁴ and I will put myself on judgment with them there on account of my people and my inheritance Israel,⁵ whom they scattered among the nations; and they apportioned out my own land.⁴ ³ And for my people they kept casting lots,⁶ and they would give the male child for a prostitute, and the female child they sold for wine,^o that they might drink.^x

^a "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, to *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^b "And among the survivors," Mv; "and those telling good news," or, "those evangelizing," LXX. ^c With this verse chapter 3 ends in MLXX^{Rahlfs}, and chapter 2 in VgSyT. ^d M, *er'ets*.

Pr 1:23
Isa 32:15
Isa 44:3
Nu 11:25
Zec 12:10
Ac 10:45
Ac 2:17
Mt 1:20
Ac 21:9
Ga 3:28
Mt 26:69
kAc 2:18
nAc 2:19
Mic 3:10
Mal 3:2
pGe 15:17
rAc 2:20
Isa 13:10
Joe 3:15
Mt 24:29
Mr 13:24
Lu 21:25
Re 6:12
Zep 1:14
Mal 4:5
uPs 50:15
Jer 33:3
Ac 2:21
Ro 10:13
vIsa 46:13
Ob 17
yIsa 11:11
Ro 9:27
zZep 3:20
Mt 2:6
Mal 3:12
De 30:3
Jer 16:15
Eze 16:53
Am 9:14
Zep 3:8
Zec 14:2
Re 16:16
Eze 39:11
Joe 3:12
Isa 66:16
Am 1:11
Jer 12:14
Eze 35:10
Zep 2:8
Mic 2:11
Ob 11
Am 2:6

4 "And, also, what do you have to do with me,^a O Tyreⁿ and Si'don^k and all YOU regions of Philis'tia?ⁿ Is it the treatment that you are giving me as a reward?^r And if you are giving such treatment to me, swiftly, speedily I shall pay back YOUR treatment upon YOUR heads.^s ⁵ Because you men have taken my own silver and my own gold,^t and you have brought my own desirable good things into YOUR temples;^u ⁶ and the sons of Judah and the sons of Jerusalem you have sold^v to the sons of the Greeks,^{by} for the purpose of removing them far from their own territory; ⁷ here I am arousing them [to come] from the place where you have sold them,^z and I will pay back YOUR treatment upon YOUR own heads.^o ⁸ And I will sell YOUR sons and YOUR daughters into the hand of the sons of Judah,^o and they must sell them to the men of She'ba,⁴ to a nation far away;⁵ for Jehovah himself has spoken [it].

9 "CALL out this among the nations,^z 'SANC-TIFY war!⁶ Arouse the powerful men!^{co} Let them draw near! Let them come up, all the men^d of war!¹⁰ Beat YOUR plowshares into swords and YOUR pruning shears^k into lances. As for the weak one, let him say: "I am a powerful man."ⁿ ¹¹ Lend YOUR aid and come, all YOU nations round about,^r and collect yourselves together."^s

To that place, O Jehovah, bring your powerful ones^c down.^t

12 "Let the nations be aroused and come up to the low plain of Je-hosh'a.phat;^u for there I

^a Literally, "what [are] you to me?" M. Compare Joshua 22:24, footnote b; also Matthew 8:29, footnote e. ^b Or, "the I.o.n'ians." M, *hay-Y'wa-nim*; LXXVg, "the Greeks." ^c See Joel 2:7, footnote a. ^d "The men." M, *a-nu-shim*; the plural number of *ish*.

Am 1:10
kZec 9:2
nEze 25:15
rEze 25:12
De 32:35
Isa 34:8
Lu 18:8
2Th 1:6
2Kl 24:13
2Kl 25:15
uIsa 5:2
Da 1:2
vDe 28:32
Eze 27:13
yGe 10:2
Da 8:21
Zec 9:13
zIsa 11:12
Jer 23:8
Eze 34:12
Isa 15:33
Es 7:10
Mt 7:2
2Th 1:6
Jg 4:9
Isa 14:1
AJob 1:15
Jer 6:20
Isa 34:1
Jer 31:10
Eze 21:21
Isa 8:9
Jer 46:3
Eze 38:7
kIsa 2:4
Mic 4:3
nZec 12:8
rEze 38:9
Mic 4:12
Zep 3:8
sZec 14:2
Re 16:14
TPs 103:20
2Th 1:7
Re 19:14
uEze 39:11
Joe 3:2

shall sit in order to judge all the nations round about.^v

13 "THRUST in a sickle,^v for harvest^o has grown ripe.^z Come, descend, for [the] wine press has become full." The press vats actually overflow; for their badness has become abundant.^q 14 Crowds, crowds are in the low plain of the decision,^a for the day of Jehovah is near in the low plain of the decision.^o 15 Sun and moon themselves will certainly become dark, and the very stars will actually withdraw their brightness.^{*} 16 And out of Zion Jehovah himself will roar, and out of Jerusalem he will give forth his voice.^o And heaven and earth certainly will rock;^{*} but Jehovah will be a refuge for his people,^o and a fortress for the sons of Israel.^k 17 And you people will have to know that I am Jehovah YOUR God,ⁿ residing in Zion my holy mountain.^r And Jerusalem must become a holy place;^o and as regards strangers,^o they will no more pass through her.^t

18 "And it must occur in that day that the mountains will drip with sweet wine,^{au} and the very hills will flow^b with milk,^o and the very stream beds of Judah will all flow^b with water.^v And out of the house of Jehovah there will go forth a spring,^v and it must irrigate the torrent valley of the Acacia Trees.^{cz} 19 As regards Egypt, a desolate waste it will become;^{*} and as regards E'dom, a wilderness of desolate waste it will become,^z because of the violence to the sons of Judah, in whose land^d they shed innocent blood.^a 20 But as for Judah, to time indefinite it will be inhabited,^o and Jerusalem to

^a "Sweet wine." Or, "fresh grape juice." ^b Literally, "go." M.
^c Or, "valley of Shittim." ^d "Land." M, *er'ets*.

vPs 2:9
Ps 76:9
Ps 96:13
Eze 30:3
oAm 4:7
yDe 16:9
Mr 4:29
Re 14:15
zJer 51:33
Mt 13:39
*Isa 63:3
La 1:15
Re 14:20
oGe 13:13
Ge 15:16
Ge 18:20
aIsa 34:2
Isa 63:3
Jer 25:33
Eze 38:23
Re 19:19
oJoe 2:1
2Pe 3:7
*Joe 2:31
oIsa 42:13
Jer 25:30
*Hag 2:6
Heb 12:26
*Ps 18:2
kPr 18:10

nEze 34:27
rOb 16
Zec 8:3
sIsa 4:3
oMt 17:25

tIsa 35:8
Na 1:15
Re 21:27

uIsa 55:12

c1Co 3:2

vIsa 30:25

yPs 46:4
Eze 47:1
Re 22:1
zMic 6:5
*Isa 19:1

oJer 49:8

aOb 10

oIsa 33:20

*Eze 37:25
Am 9:15

oIsa 4:4
Eze 36:25
*Eze 48:35
Re 21:3

generation after generation.^{*} 21 And I will consider innocent their blood^a that I had not considered innocent;^b and Jehovah will be residing in Zion."^o

^a That is, death by bloodshed. ^b LXXA Freer reads: "And I will avenge their blood and by no means consider [them] innocent"; Vg: "And I will cleanse their blood that I had not cleansed."

AMOS^a

1 The words of A'mos,^a who happened to be among the sheep raisers^o from Te-ko'a,^a which he visioned^o concerning Israel in the days of Uz-z'i'ah^{*} the king of Judah and in the days of Jer-o-bo'am^o the son of Jo'ash, the king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.^{*} 2 And he proceeded to say:

"Jehovah—out of Zion he will roar,^{*} and out of Jerusalem he will give forth his voice;^k and the pasture grounds of the shepherds must go to mourning, and the summit of Car'mel must dry up."ⁿ

3 "This is what Jehovah has said, "On account of three transgressions of Damascus,^r and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of their threshing Gil'e-ad^s even with iron threshing instruments.^t 4 And I will send a fire^u onto the house of Haz'a-el,^v and it must devour the dwelling towers of Ben-ha'dad.^v 5 And I will break the bar of Damascus^z and cut off [the] inhabitant from Bik'ath-a'ven,^b

^a "A'mos." M, 'A-mos'; meaning "being a load"; or, "carrying a load." ^b Or, "the valley plain of A'ven."

oPs 78:70
2Sa 14:2
2Ch 11:6
2Ch 20:20
Jer 6:1
oIsa 1:1
2Ch 26:1
Ho 1:1
o2Ki 14:23
*Zec 14:5

*Joe 3:16
kJer 25:30

nIsa 33:9
Jer 50:19

rIsa 7:8
Isa 8:4
Jer 49:23
Zec 9:1
s2Ki 8:12
2Ki 10:33
tIsa 41:15
uJer 17:27
v1Ki 19:15
2Ki 8:8
y1Ki 20:1
2Ki 6:24
zIsa 43:14
Jer 51:30
Na 1:13

and the holder of [the] scepter from Beth-e'den;^a and the people of Syria^b will have to go as exiles to Kir," Jehovah has said."

6 "This is what Jehovah has said, "On account of three transgressions of Ga'za,^c and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of their taking into exile a complete body of exiles^d to hand over to E'dom.^e And I will send a fire onto the wall of Ga'za,^f and it must devour her dwelling towers.^g And I will cut off [the] inhabitant from Ash'dod,^h and the holder of [the] scepter from Ash'ke-lon;ⁱ and I will turn my hand back^j upon Ek'ron,^k and the remaining ones^l of the Philis'tines must perish," the Lord Jehovah^d has said."

9 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'On account of three transgressions of Tyre,^r and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of their handing over a complete body of exiles to E'dom, and [because] they did not remember the covenant^o of brothers.^s 10 And I will send a fire onto the wall of Tyre, and it must devour her dwelling towers."

11 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'On account of three transgressions of E'dom,^u and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of his pursuing his own brother with the sword,^v and [because] he ruined his [own] merciful qualities,^w and his anger keeps tearing away forever; and his fury—he has kept it per-

^a Or, "the house of E'den." ^b "Syria," LXXVg; "A'ram," MSyT. ^c Or, "the remnant." ^d "The Lord Jehovah." M, A.d.o.nay' Y'ho-wih'; Vg, Do'mi-nus De'us ["Jehovah God"]; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; T, Y'Ya E.lo.him' ["Jehovah God"]; Luther German, der HERR HERR; with which compare Genesis 2:4, footnote b. This expression occurs 21 times in the prophecy of A'mos.

Ge 2:8

*2Ki 16:9
Isa 7:2
Am 9:7

1Sa 6:17
2Ch 28:18
Isa 14:29

Jer 47:5
Eze 25:15
Zep 2:4

Zec 9:5
Ac 8:26
2Ch 21:17

2Ch 28:18
Joe 3:6
Eze 35:5

Ob 11
*2Ki 18:8
2Ch 26:6

Jer 25:20
Jer 47:1
Zec 9:5

*Isa 20:1
*Jer 47:5
*Isa 1:25

*kZep 2:4
Zec 9:5
nIsa 14:29

Jer 47:4
Eze 25:16
Zep 2:7

*Isa 23:1
*Mal 3:1
*1Ki 9:11

1Ki 9:13
Am 1:6
tEze 26:12

uIsa 34:5
Mal 1:4

vGe 27:40
2Ch 28:17
Eze 25:12

yPr 11:17
Isa 57:1

zOb 10
*Ge 36:11
Jer 49:7
Ob 9
*Ge 36:33
Isa 34:6
Jer 49:13

*Ge 19:38
*De 2:19
Eze 25:2

Zep 2:8
*De 23:3
2Sa 10:4

2Ch 20:1
Ne 2:19
Ps 83:7

*Ho 13:16
*2Ki 15:16
*Jg 11:13

Isa 5:8
Jer 49:1
Eze 35:10

*De 3:11
2Sa 12:26
Jer 49:2

Eze 25:5
kPs 83:15
Isa 30:30

Zec 7:14
nJer 49:3
rIsa 15:1

Jer 48:1
Eze 25:8
sPr 15:3

tJer 48:24

uIsa 15:1

vNu 24:17
Jer 48:7

yDe 32:15
2Ki 17:19
Jer 9:26

zLe 26:14
2Sa 12:9
2Ch 36:14

Ne 1:7
Isa 5:24
Eze 20:13

Da 9:11
*Isa 28:15
Jer 18:19

*2Ch 30:7
Jer 9:14
Eze 20:13

petually.^z 12 And I will send a fire into Te'man,^a and it must devour the dwelling towers of Boz'-rah.¹²

13 "This is what Jehovah has said, "On account of three transgressions of the sons of Am'mon,^a and on account of four, I shall not turn it back,^o on account of their slitting^o open the pregnant women^o of Gil'e-ad, for the purpose of widening out their own territory.¹⁴ And I will set fire to the wall of Rab'bah,^h and it must devour her dwelling towers, with an alarm signal in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of stormwind.^k 15 And their king must go into exile, he and his princes together,"¹⁵ Jehovah has said.'

2 "This is what Jehovah has said, "On account of three transgressions of Mo'ab,^r and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of his burning the bones of the king of E'dom for lime.^s 2 And I will send a fire into Mo'ab, and it must devour the dwelling towers of Ke'ri-oth;^t and with noise Mo'ab must die, with an alarm signal, with the sound of a horn.^{bu} 3 And I will cut off [the] judge from the midst of her, and all her princes I shall kill with him,"^v Jehovah has said.'

4 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'On account of three transgressions of Judah,^y and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of their rejecting the law of Jehovah,^z and [because] they did not keep his own regulations; but their lies,^{*} after which their forefathers had walked, kept making them wander.^o 5 And I will send a fire into Judah, and it must

^a Or, "the Am'mon-ites." ^b Or, "sho'phar."

devour the dwelling towers of Jerusalem.¹²

6 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'On account of three transgressions of Israel,⁶ and on account of four, I shall not turn it back, on account of their selling someone righteous⁷ for mere silver, and someone poor for [the price of] a pair of sandals.⁸ They are panting for the dust of [the] earth on the head of lowly persons;⁹ and the way of meek people they turn aside;¹⁰ and a man¹¹ and his own father have gone to the [same] girl,¹² for the purpose of profaning my holy name.¹³ And on garments seized as a pledge they stretch themselves out¹⁴ beside every altar;¹⁵ and the wine of those who have been fined they drink at the house of their gods.¹⁶

9 "But as for me, I had annihilated the Am'orite¹⁷ on account of them, whose height was like the height of cedars, and who was vigorous like the sturdy trees;¹⁸ and I went annihilating his fruitage above and his roots below.¹⁹ And I myself brought you people up out of the land of Egypt,²⁰ and I kept making you walk through the wilderness forty years,²¹ in order to take possession of the land²² of the Am'orite.²³ And I kept raising up some of YOUR sons as prophets²⁴ and some of YOUR young men as Naz'irites.²⁵ Should this really not be, O sons of Israel?" is the utterance of Jehovah.

12 "But you kept giving the Naz'irites wine to drink, and upon the prophets you laid a command, saying: "You must not prophesy."²⁶ Here I am making what is under you sway, just as the wagon²⁷ sways that is full up with a

¹² Or, "husband." M, *ish*. ¹³ "Gods." M, *el.o.him*. ¹⁴ "Land." M, *er'ets*.

Jer 17:27
Jer 21:10
Jer 37:8
Jer 52:13
Ho 8:14
2Kl 17:7
Eze 23:5
Ho 4:1
Mal 3:18

Isa 29:21
Joe 3:3
Am 5:11
Am 4:1
Isa 10:2
Am 5:12

Le 18:8
Le 18:15
Eze 22:11
1Co 5:1
kLe 20:3
Eze 36:20
Ro 2:24
nEx 22:26
De 24:12
Eze 18:7
rEze 23:41
1Co 10:21
sJg 9:27
Am 6:6
tGe 15:16
Ps 135:11
uNu 13:28
De 1:28
vJos 11:21

yEx 12:51
zNu 14:34
De 2:7

*De 1:20
1Sa 3:20
1Kl 17:1
1Kl 19:19
2Ch 36:15
ANu 6:2
Jg 13:5
La 4:7

Isa 30:10
Jer 11:21
Jer 26:11
Mic 2:6
Ac 4:18
Ge 45:19

Job 11:20
Ec 9:11

*Ps 33:16

*Isa 30:16

kJer 48:41
Mic 1:8

nJg 4:17
2Kl 7:7
Isa 20:4

rIsa 46:3

sMic 2:3
tEx 19:5
De 7:6
uGe 10:32
Ac 17:26
vEze 9:6
Da 9:12
Mt 11:22
Lu 12:47
Ro 2:8
yGe 17:1
2Co 6:14
zJg 14:5
Ps 104:21
Isa 31:4
Ec 9:12
Isa 24:17
Jer 50:24
Mt 6:26
Lu 21:35
AJer 4:5
Eze 33:3
Ho 5:8
Zep 1:16
Ge 3:19
Ge 19:24
Isa 45:7
Eze 14:22
*Ge 6:13
1Kl 22:19
Ps 25:14
Da 2:28
Da 9:22
Re 1:1
Am 1:2
Am 3:4

row of newly cut grain.¹⁴ And a place to which to flee must perish from the swift one,¹⁵ and no one strong will reinforce his power, and no mighty man will provide his soul¹⁶ with escape.¹⁷ And no one handling the bow will stand, and no one swift on his feet will escape, and no rider of the horse will provide his soul¹⁸ with escape.¹⁹ And as for one strong in his heart among the mighty men,²⁰ naked²¹ is how he will flee in that day,²² is the utterance of Jehovah."

3 "Hear this word that Jehovah has spoken concerning you,¹ O sons of Israel, concerning the whole family that I brought up out of the land of Egypt,² saying, 'You people only have I known³ out of all the families of the ground.⁴ That is why I shall hold an accounting against you for all your errors.'⁵ Will a lion roar in the forest when it has no prey?⁶ Will a young maned lion give forth its voice from its hiding place if it has caught nothing at all?⁷ Will a bird⁸ fall into a trap on the earth when there is no snare⁹ for it?¹⁰ Does a trap go up from the ground when it has absolutely caught nothing?¹¹ If a horn is blown in a city, do not also the people themselves tremble?¹² If a calamity occurs in the city, is it not also Jehovah who has acted?¹³ For the Lord Jehovah¹⁴ will not do a thing unless he has revealed his confidential matter to his servants the prophets.¹⁵ There is a lion that has roared!¹⁶ Who will not be afraid?¹⁷

¹⁴ "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. ¹⁵ "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay*; Y^{ho.wih}; LXXVgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. Compare Amos 1:8, footnote d.

The Lord Jehovah^a himself has spoken! Who will not prophesy?"^x

9 "CAUSE it to be heard on [the] dwelling towers in Ash'dod^k and on [the] dwelling towers in the land of Egypt,^k and SAY: "Be gathered together against the mountains of Samar'ia,ⁿ and see the many disorders in the midst of her and cases of defrauding inside her.^r ¹⁰ And they have not known how to do what is straightforward,"^s is the utterance of Jehovah, "those who are storing up violence^t and despoiling in their dwelling towers."^u

11 "Therefore this is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said, "There is an adversary even round about the land,^v and he will certainly bring your^c strength down from you,^c and your^c dwelling towers will actually be plundered."^y

12 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'Just as the shepherd snatches away from the mouth of the lion two shanks or a piece of an ear,^z so the sons of Israel will be snatched away,^z those sitting in Samar'ia on a splendid couch^z and on a Damascene divan."^z

13 "HEAR and GIVE witness^d in the house of Jacob,^z is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^c the God^z of the armies. ¹⁴ 'For, in the day of my holding an accounting^t for the transgressions of Israel against him, I will also hold an accounting against the altars of Beth'el,^z and

^a "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXXVgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. Compare Amos 1:8, footnote d. ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXXVgT, "Jehovah God." ^c The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, it being addressed to the city, which is feminine in gender. ^d Or, "warning." ^e "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; LXXT, "Jehovah God." ^f "God." MT, *El.o.kim'*; Vg, *De'us*.

*Jer 20:9
Jer 25:30
Eze 4:7
1Co 9:16
*Ne 4:7
kJer 46:14

nJer 31:5
Eze 36:8

rHo 7:1
Am 4:1
*Jer 4:22
tOb 10
Zep 1:9
uHab 2:8

v2Ki 17:6
Isa 7:17

y2Ch 36:19
Am 6:8

zIsa 17:34
2Ki 18:11
*1Ki 22:37
Isa 1:9
oIsa 8:4
*1Ki 20:34
2Ki 16:9
Isa 17:1
oDe 8:19
De 30:19
2Ki 17:13
2Ch 24:19
Ac 2:40
Ac 18:5
*Zec 14:5
*Ex 32:34
o1Ki 13:2
2Ki 23:15
2Ch 31:1

the horns of the altar will certainly be cut off and must fall to the earth.¹⁵ And I will strike down the autumn house^a in addition to the summer house.^k

"And the houses of ivory will have to perish,ⁿ and many houses will have to come to their finish,^r is the utterance of Jehovah."

4 "Hear this word, YOU cows of Ba'shan,^z who are on the mountain of Samar'ia,^t who are defrauding the lowly ones,^u who are mistreating the poor ones,^v who are saying to their masters, 'Do bring, and let us drink!'^y ² The Lord Jehovah^b has sworn by his holiness,^z "Look! there are days coming upon you, and he will certainly lift you up with butcher hooks and the last part of you with fishhooks." ³ And [by] breaches YOU will go forth,^z each one straight ahead;^c and you will certainly be thrown out^d to Har'mon,^z is the utterance of Jehovah."

4 "Come, YOU people, to Beth'el and commit transgression.^z At Gil'gal be frequent in committing transgression,^z and bring YOUR sacrifices in the morning; on the third day, YOUR tenth^z parts.^z ⁵ And from what is leavened make a thanksgiving sacrifice to smoke,^z and PROCLAIM voluntary offerings;^z CAUSE [it] to be heard,^k for that is the way YOU have loved, O sons of Israel,ⁿ is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah."

*2Ch 34:7
Ho 10:5
Mic 1:6
*Jer 36:22
kJg 3:20

n1Ki 22:39

rIsa 5:9
Am 6:11
cZec 11:2
sDe 32:14
Ps 22:12
Eze 39:18
t1Ki 16:24
uPr 22:22
Isa 1:17
Mic 2:2
vJob 20:19
yJoe 3:3
zPs 89:35

*Isa 37:29
Hab 1:15
c2Ki 25:4
Eze 12:12

z2Ki 25:6

cEze 20:39
Am 3:14
Ho 4:15
Ho 9:15
Am 5:5

cMal 3:8
cNu 28:4
De 26:12
*Le 7:12
*Le 22:18
De 12:6
kMt 15:9
nHo 9:1

^a Or, "harvesttime house." ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "The Lord of lords"; Luther German, *Der Herr Herr*. See Amos 1:8, footnote d. ^c Literally, "each female [*ish.shah'*] in front of her," M. ^d "You will certainly be thrown out," by a correction of M; literally, "you [feminine, plural] will certainly throw out," M. ^e Or, "your tithes." ^f "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay' Y'ho.wih'*; VgT, "Jehovah God"; LXXSy, "Jehovah"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*.

6 "And I also, for my part, gave YOU people cleanness^r of teeth in all YOUR cities^s and want of bread in all YOUR places;^t but you did not come back to me,^u is the utterance of Jehovah.

7 "And as for me, I also withheld from you people the downpour when there were yet three months to the harvest;^v and I made it rain on one city,^w but on another city I would not make it rain.^z There was one tract of land that would be rained on, but a tract of land on which I^a would not make it rain would be dried up.^b

^c And two or three cities staggered to one city in order to drink water,^d and they would not get satisfied;^e but you did not come back to me,^f is the utterance of Jehovah.

9 "I struck YOU people with scorching and mildew.^g There was a multiplying of YOUR gardens and of YOUR vineyards, but YOUR fig trees and YOUR olive trees the caterpillar would devour;^h yet you did not come back to me,ⁱ is the utterance of Jehovah.

10 "I sent among you people a pestilence^j in the nature of that of Egypt.^k With the sword I killed^l YOUR young men,^m along with the taking captive of YOUR horses.ⁿ And I kept making the stink of YOUR camps^o ascend even into YOUR nostrils;^p but you did not come back to me,^q is the utterance of Jehovah.

11 "I caused an overthrow among YOU people, like God's^r overthrow of Sod'om and Gomor'rah.^s And you came to be like a log snatched out of [the] burning;^t but you did not come back to me,^u is the utterance of Jehovah.

12 "Therefore that is what I shall do to you,

r2K1 8:1
s2K1 25:3
Le 26:26
1K1 28:38
1K1 18:2
2K1 4:38
Eze 16:27
u2Ch 28:22
Isa 9:13
Jer 3:7
Jer 5:3
OMt 9:37
vDe 28:23
1K1 8:35
2Ch 7:13
Isa 5:6
yJoe 2:23
zJg 6:37
*Joe 1:10

1K1 18:5
Jer 14:3
Eze 4:16
Mic 6:14
Hag 1:6
Jer 23:14
Ho 7:10
De 28:22
1K1 8:37
2Ch 6:28
Hag 2:17

De 28:42
Joe 1:4
Joe 2:25
Am 7:1
Ex 6:9
Jer 5:3
Jer 8:5
OMt 10:28
EX 9:3
Le 26:16
De 28:27
Ge 32:3
kLe 26:25
2K1 8:12
Jer 6:11
n2K1 13:7
rDe 28:26
Jer 8:1
Joe 2:20
sJer 23:14
Zep 2:9
tGe 19:24
Isa 13:19
Jer 49:18
Jude 7
uZec 3:2
vEze 24:13
Ho 7:10

Isa 47:3
1Th 5:2
zJob 38:4
Isa 40:12
Zec 12:1
*Ps 135:7
Ps 147:18
Jer 10:13
Jer 51:16
Isa 13:12
Da 2:28
Ex 10:22
Ex 14:20
Isa 5:30
Jer 13:16
Am 8:9
De 32:13
Mic 1:3
Hab 3:19
Isa 47:4
Jer 10:16
Jer 7:29
Isa 37:22
Jer 14:17
2K1 15:29
Isa 3:8
kIsa 24:20
nJer 4:20
De 4:27
De 28:62
Isa 10:22
t2Ch 15:2
Ps 14:2
Isa 55:6
Jer 29:12
uPs 22:26
Ps 69:32
Pr 4:4
Isa 55:3
vAm 4:4
yHo 4:15
zHo 21:14

zAm 8:14
*Ho 9:15
Isa 1:13
Eze 33:11
Heb 12:29
Ge 48:9
Jos 18:5
Jg 1:22
1K1 11:28
Zec 10:8

O Israel. As a consequence of the fact that I shall do this very thing to you, get ready to meet your God,^a O Israel. ^b For, look! the Former of [the] mountains^c and the Creator of [the] wind,^d and the One telling to earthling man^e what his mental concern^f is,^g the One making dawn into obscurity,^h and the One treading on earth's high places,ⁱ Jehovah the God^j of armies is his name.^k

5 "HEAR this word that I am lifting up over YOU people as a dirge,^l O house of Israel:

2 "The virgin,^m Israel, has fallen;ⁿ

"She cannot get up again.^o

"She has been forsaken upon her own ground;^p

"There is no one raising her up.

3 "For this is what the Lord Jehovah^q has said, 'The very city that was going forth with a thousand will have a hundred left; and the one going forth with a hundred will have ten left, for the house of Israel.'^r

4 "For this is what Jehovah has said to the house of Israel, 'Search for me,^s and keep living.^t And do not search for Beth'el,^u and to Gil'gal^v you must not come, and to Be'er-she'ba^w you must not go through;^z because Gil'gal itself will without fail go into exile;^a and as regards Beth'el, it will become something uncanny.^b Search for Jehovah, and keep living,^c that he may not become operative just like fire,^d O house of Joseph,^e and it may not actually de-

^a "God." M, *El-o-him'*. ^b Or, "spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *ven'tus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^c "Earthling man." M, *a-dam'*; LXX, *an'thro-poi*; Vg, *ho'mo*. ^d "His mental concern." M; "his Christ [or, Anointed One]." LXX. ^e "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A-do-may' Y'ho-wih'*; LXX, *Ky'rios Ky'rios*; Vg, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords."

^a "I," LXXVg; "it," M. ^b *El-o-him'*, M; *ho The-os'*, LXX; *De'us*, Vg.

your, and Beth'el^a may not be with no one to extinguish^e [it], ⁷ O YOU who are turning justice into mere wormwood,^{*} and the ones who have cast righteousness itself to the earth.[#] ⁸ The Maker of the Ki'mah^k constellation^b and the Ke'sil^m constellation,^{cn} and the One turning deep shadow^r into the morning^o itself, and the One who has made day itself dark as night,^a the One calling for the waters of the sea, that he may pour them out upon the surface of the earth^t—Jehovah is his name;^u ⁹ he who is causing havoc to flash forth upon someone strong,^v that despoiling itself may come upon even a fortified place.

10 "In the gate they have hated a reprov^y and a speaker of perfect things they detest.^z ¹¹ Therefore, for the reason that YOU are extracting farm rent from someone lowly, and the tribute of grain YOU keep taking from him;^{*} houses of hewn stone you have built,^o but you will not keep dwelling in them; and desirable vineyards you have planted, but you will not keep drinking the wine of them.^a ¹² For I have known how many YOUR transgressions^o are and how mighty YOUR sins are,^{*} O YOU who are showing hostility toward someone righteous,[#] YOU who are taking hush money,^d and the ones who have turned aside poor peopleⁿ even in the gate.^k ¹³ Therefore the very one having insight will in that time keep silent,ⁿ for it will be a calamitous time.^r

14 "Search for what is good, and not what is bad,^s to the end that YOU people may keep

^a "Beth'el," MVgSyT; "the house of Israel," LXX. ^b See Job 9:9, footnote e. ^c See Job 9:9, footnote d. ^d "Hush money." Or, "a ransom." M, *kho'pher*.

Isa 1:31
Jer 4:4
Eze 20:47
De 29:18
Isa 5:7
Eze 3:20
Eze 18:24
Job 9:9
Misa 13:10
Job 38:31
Ge 1:5
Job 12:22
Ps 107:10
Lu 1:79
Ex 10:21

t1Ki 18:44
Job 38:34
Ec 1:7
uAm 4:13
v2Ki 13:17

y1Ki 21:20
Isa 29:21
z1Ki 22:8

*Isa 59:13
Mic 2:2
Isa 5:8
Jer 6:8
Zep 1:13

4Hag 1:6
De 31:21
2Ki 17:7

*Am 2:6
1Sa 12:3
Isa 29:21
kPr 22:22
nEc 3:7

Isa 36:21
Mic 7:5
rEc 9:12
Mic 2:3
Ps 34:12
Pr 11:27
Isa 1:16
Mic 6:8
Ro 2:7

tPs 69:32

u2Ch 15:2
Isa 48:1
Mic 3:11
vPs 34:14
Ps 97:10
Ro 12:9
y2Ch 19:6
Ps 82:4
zEx 32:30
Jer 31:7

Isa 22:12
Jer 9:10

4Joe 1:11

4Jer 9:17
Isa 16:10
Jer 45:33
Ex 12:12
Isa 5:19
Jer 17:15
Mal 3:2
2Pe 3:4
Jer 30:7
Joe 1:15
kIsa 5:30
Joe 2:2
Zep 1:14
2Ti 4:17

n1Ki 20:30
Isa 24:17
Jer 15:2
rIsa 13:10
Eze 34:12
Joe 2:2
Re 16:10
sPr 15:8
Pr 21:27
Isa 1:11
Jer 6:20
tGe 8:21
Lo 26:31
uPs 50:8
Ex 20:24
vLe 7:12
Ps 107:22
yLe 7:15

living;^t and that thus Jehovah the God^a of armies may come to be with YOU, just as YOU have said.^u ¹³ Hate what is bad, and love what is good,^v and give justice a place in the gate.^y It may be that Jehovah the God^a of armies will show favor^z to the remaining ones of Joseph.^{''}

16 "Therefore this is what Jehovah the God^a of armies, Jehovah,^b has said, 'In all the public squares there will be wailing,^o and in all the streets people will be saying: "Ah! Ah!" And they will have to call a farmer to mourning,^a and to wailing those experienced in lamentation.'^o ¹⁷ 'And in all vineyards there will be wailing;^{*} for I shall pass through the midst of you,^u Jehovah has said.

18 "Woe to those who are craving the day of Jehovah!^x What, then, will the day of Jehovah mean to YOU people?^{*} It will be darkness, and no light,^k ¹⁹ just as when a man^c flees because of the lion,^o and the bear actually meets him; and [as when] he went into the house and supported his hand against the wall, and the serpent bit him.ⁿ ²⁰ Will not the day of Jehovah be darkness, and not light; and will it not have gloom, and not brightness?^r ²¹ I have hated, I have rejected YOUR festivals,[#] and I shall not enjoy the smell of YOUR solemn assemblies.^t ²² But if YOU people offer up to me whole burnt offerings,^u even in YOUR gift offerings I shall take no delight,^v and on YOUR communion^o sacrifices of fatlings I shall not look.^y ²³ Remove

^a "God." M, *El.o.him*. ^b "Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay*; Vg, *Do.mi.na'tor*; T, *Y'eYa'* ("Jehovah"). This is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim say they changed the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay* ["the Sovereign Lord"] instead of *Y'ho.wah*. ^c "A man." M, *ish*.

from me the turmoil of your songs; and the melodious sound of your stringed instruments may I not hear.²⁴ And let justice roll forth just like waters,²⁵ and righteousness like a constantly flowing torrent.²⁶ Was it sacrifices and gift offerings that you people brought near to me in the wilderness for forty years, O house of Israel?²⁷ And you will certainly carry^a Sak'kuth^b YOUR king^c and Kai'wan,^d YOUR images, the star of YOUR god,^e whom YOU made for yourselves.²⁷ And I will cause YOU to go into exile beyond Damascus,²⁸ he whose name is Jehovah the God^f of armies has said.²⁹

6 "Woe to those who are at ease¹ in Zion and to those trusting in the mountain of Samar'ia.^{1k} They are the distinguished ones of the chief part of the nations, and to them the house of Israel have come.² Make YOUR way over to Cal'neh,³ and see; and go from there to populous Ha'math,⁴ and go down to Gath⁵ of the Philis'tines. Are they better than these kingdoms, or is their territory bigger than YOUR territory?⁶ [Are YOU] putting out

zAm 6:5
Am 8:10
*Pr 21:3
Ho 6:6
Mic 6:8
Dro 1:17

APs 51:17
Pr 17:1
Isa 1:11
Ac 7:42
Le 18:21
Le 20:2
*IKI 11:33
2Kl 23:13
Ac 7:43
*2Kl 15:29
2Kl 17:6
*Am 4:13
*Jg 18:7
Isa 32:9

kDe 11:29
1Kl 16:24
Am 4:1
Joh 4:21

nGe 10:10
Isa 10:9
rNu 34:8
2Kl 14:25
sIsa 17:4
2Ch 26:6

tIsa 10:10
Na 3:8

^a Or, "you have carried." ^b "Sak'kuth." Literally, *Sik-kuth'*, MT; the name was purposely vocalized in this way in Hebrew to correspond with *shiq-qûts'*, meaning "disgusting thing." It evidently refers to a star god, for it is put in a parallelism with the "star of your god" in the same verse. LXXSy, "the tent"; Vg, *taberna-culum*. ^c "YOUR king." M, *mal.k'khem'*; LXX, *ho Mo'lokh'*; Vg, *Mo'loch ves'ter*; Sy, *mal.khum'*. ^d "Kai'wan," or, "Ke'wan." Literally, *Kiy-yân'*, M; vowel pointed intentionally to correspond with *shiq-qûts'*, meaning "disgusting thing." Evidently the Accadian star *kaima'nu* or *kaiwa'nu* is meant, as this occurs in Accadian inscriptions as the name of a star god (Saturn). LXX, *Rai.phan'*; but *Rom.pha'* at Acts 7:43 in the quotation by Stephen. See *Bibel-Lexicon* (1956), by Herbert Haag, in German, under *Kijjun* and *Rompha*. ^e "God." M, *elo.him'*; applying to a false god. ^f "God." M, *El.o.him'*.

uEc 8:11
Isa 47:7
Isa 56:12
Eze 12:27
vAm 5:12

yIsa 5:11
Isa 22:13
Lu 16:19
Ro 13:13
zPs 68:25

*1Ch 23:5
Da 5:1
Ge 31:13
Mt 26:7
Joh 12:3
2Kl 15:29
2Kl 17:6

*De 28:41
Am 5:5
*IKI 20:16

*Jer 51:14
Am 4:2
Heb 6:13
*Ps 78:59
Ps 106:40
Jer 13:9
kLa 2:5
nMic 1:6

rEs 9:10
Ps 109:13
Isa 14:21

sIsa 31:12
Jer 16:6

t2Kl 6:33
Jer 44:26
uIsa 10:5
Eze 29:20
Na 1:14

of [YOUR] mind the calamitous day,^u and do you bring near the dwelling of violence?^v [You men] that are lying down on couches of ivory and are sprawling on their divans, and are eating the rams out of a flock and the young bulls from among fattened calves;^y that are improvising according to the sound^a of the stringed instrument;^z that, like David, have devised for themselves instruments for song;¹ that are drinking out of bowls of wine,² and that with the choicest oils do their anointing,^{3a} and that have not been made sick at the catastrophe of Joseph.⁴

7 "Therefore now they will go into exile at the head of those going into exile,⁵ and the revelry of sprawling ones must depart.⁶

8 "The Lord Jehovah has sworn by his own soul,^{7b} is the utterance of Jehovah the God^c of armies, "I am detesting the pride of Jacob,⁸ and his dwelling towers I have hated,^k and I will deliver up [the] city and what fills it.⁹ And it must occur that if ten men^d should be left remaining in one house, they must also die.¹⁰ And his father's brother will have to carry them forth one by one, and will be burning them one by one, in order to bring out [the] bones from the house.¹¹ And he will have to say to whoever is in the innermost parts of the house: 'Are there any more with you?' And he will certainly say: 'Nobody!' And he will have to say: 'Keep silence! For it is not the occasion for making any mention of the name of Jehovah.'¹²

11 "For here is Jehovah commanding,^u and

^a Literally, "mouth." M, *neph'esh*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. ^b "God." M, *El.o.him'*. ^c "Men." M, *a.nā.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*.

he will certainly strike down the great house into rubble and the small house into debris.^v

12 "On a crag will horses run, or will one plow [there] with cattle? For into a poisonous plant you people have turned justice,^v and the fruitage of righteousness into wormwood,¹³ [you who] are rejoicing in a thing that is not;^z who are saying: "Have we not in our strength taken horns to ourselves?"* 14 Look! I am raising up against you, O house of Israel,^v is the utterance of Jehovah the God^a of the armies, 'a nation,^q and they must oppress you people from the entering in of Ha'math^b down to the torrent valley of the Ar'abah.'"^c

7 This is what the Lord Jehovah caused me to see, and, look! he was forming a [locust] swarm at the start of the coming up of the later sowing.^d And, look! it was the later sowing^d after the mown grass of the king.^e 2 And it occurred that when it had finished eating up the vegetation^{*} of the land,^f I proceeded to say: "O Lord Jehovah,^g forgive, please.^o Who will rise up of Jacob?" For he is small!"^h

3 Jehovah felt regret over this.^k "It shall not occur," Jehovah said.

4 This is what the Lord Jehovah caused me to see, and, look! the Lord Jehovah was calling for a contention by means of fire;ⁿ and it went

v2Kl 25:9
Am 3:15

y1Kl 21:7
1Kl 21:13
Ps 94:20
Isa 59:13
Ho 10:4

zJg 9:19
Isa 41:29
Isa 44:9
Da 4:30

o2Kl 15:29
2Kl 17:6
Isa 7:20
Isa 8:4
Isa 10:5
Jer 5:15
Ho 10:6
ANu 34:8
1Kl 8:65
Eze 47:16

qEx 10:12
Isa 33:4
Joe 1:4
Joe 2:25
Am 4:9
Na 3:15
+Ex 10:15
oJer 14:7
Da 9:19
+Eze 11:13
Isa 37:4
Jer 42:2
KPs 106:45
Ho 11:8

nLe 10:2
Nu 16:35
Isa 27:4

^a "God." M, *El-o-him*. ^b Or, possibly, "from Le'bi-ha'math [Lion of Ha'math]." See Joshua 13:5, footnote h. ^c Or, "the desert plain." See Deuteronomy 1:1, footnote e. ^d "Later sowing." During January and February. ^e LXX reads: "And, look! one locust was Gog the king." Compare Ezekiel 38:2; Revelation 9:11. ^f Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^g "Lord Jehovah." M, *A-do-nay' Y'ho-wih'*; LXX, *Ky'rios Ky'rios*; VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "Lord of lords"; Luther German, *Herr Herr*.

eating up the vast surging waters^a and ate up the tract of land.^s And I proceeded to say: "O Lord Jehovah,^b hold off, please.^r Who will rise up of Jacob? For he is small!"^s

6 Jehovah felt regret over this.^t "That, too, will not occur," the Lord Jehovah said.

7 This is what he caused me to see, and, look! Jehovah^c was stationed on a wall [made with] a plummet, and there was a plummet in his hand.^u 8 And Jehovah proceeded to say to me: "What are you seeing, A'mos?"^{dv} So I said: "A plummet." And Jehovah^c went on to say: "Here I am setting a plummet in the midst of my people Israel.^v I shall no more do any further excusing of it.^z 9 And the high places of Isaac^e will certainly be laid desolate,^g and the sanctuaries themselves of Israel will be devastated;^q and I will rise up against the house of Jer.o.bo'am^f with a sword."^a

10 And Am-az'ah the priest of Beth'el^o proceeded to send to Jer.o.bo'am^f the king of Israel, saying: "A'mos^d has conspired against you right inside the house of Israel.^o The land^g is not able to put up with all his words.^x 11 For this is what A'mos^d has said, 'By the sword Jer.o.bo'am^f will die;^h and as regards Israel, it will without fail go into exile from its own ground.'^h"^k

rPs 85:4
Isa 10:25
sIsa 1:9

t1Ch 21:15
Ps 90:13

u2Kl 21:13
Isa 28:17
Zec 2:1
Re 11:1
vJer 1:11
Zec 5:2

yLa 2:8

zJer 15:6
Eze 7:2
Na 1:8
*Jer 7:31
Jer 17:3

oAm 3:14
Am 5:5
Am 8:14
+2Kl 15:10
o1Kl 12:32
1Kl 13:33
+2Kl 14:23

e1Kl 18:17
Jer 26:8
*Jer 18:18
Lu 23:2
Ac 7:54
#Jer 26:9

k2Kl 17:6
Am 6:7

^a "Surging waters." M, *t'hōm*; LXXVg, "abyss." Compare Genesis 1:2, footnote c. ^b "Lord Jehovah." M, *A-do-nay' Y'ho-wih'*; LXX, *Ky'rios Ky'rios*; VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "Lord of lords"; Luther German, *Herr Herr*. ^c "Jehovah." VgSyT, *A-do-nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim say they changed the primitive Hebrew text to read *A-do-nay'* ("the Lord") instead of *Y'ho-wah'*. ^d "A'mos." See Amos 1:1, footnote a. ^e "Isaac." M, *Y'hshag'*; as in Psalm 105:9 and Jeremiah 33:26. ^f Jer.o.bo'am II, the son of Jo'ash, and not Jer.o.bo'am I, the son of Ne'bat. See Amos 1:1. ^g Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*.

12 And Am-zi'ah proceeded to say to A'mos:^a "O seer,ⁿ go, run your way off to the land of Judah,^r and there eat bread, and there you may prophesy.¹³ But at Beth'el you must no longer do any further prophesying,^s for it is the sanctuary of a king^t and it is the house of a kingdom."

14 Then A'mos^a answered and said to Am-zi'ah: "I was not a prophet, neither was I the son of a prophet;^{bu} but I was a herdsman^v and a nipper of figs of sycamore trees.¹⁵ And Jehovah proceeded to take me from following the flock,^y and Jehovah went on to say to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'^z 16 And now hear the word of Jehovah,* 'Are you saying: "You must not prophesy against Israel," and you must let no [word] drop^a against the house of Isaac"?^c 17 Therefore this is what Jehovah has said: "As regards your wife,^o in the city she will become a prostitute.* And as regards your sons and your daughters,^o by the sword they will fall. And as regards your ground, by the measuring rope it will be apportioned out.* And as regards you yourself, on unclean ground you will die;" and as regards Israel, it will without fail go into exile from its own ground." ' " "

O This is what the Lord Jehovah caused me to see, and, look! there was a basket of summer fruit.^k 2 And he proceeded to say: "What are you seeing,ⁿ A'mos?"^a So I said: "A basket of summer fruit."^r And Jehovah went on to say to me: "The end^o has come to my people Israel.* I shall no more do any further excusing of it."

^a "A'mos." See Amos 1:1, footnote a. ^b Or, "was I a member of the band of prophets." See Gesenius' *Hebrew Grammar* (1949 edition), § 128, v. ^c "Isaac." See Amos 7:9, footnote e.

n1Sa 9:9
2Ch 16:10
Isa 30:10
rAm 2:12
Mt 8:34
sAm 2:12
Ac 4:17
Ac 5:28
Ac 5:40
t1K1 12:29
1K1 12:32
1K1 13:1
u1K1 20:35
2K1 2:5
2K1 4:38
2K1 6:1
2Ch 19:2
vAm 1:1
y2Sa 7:8
Ps 78:70
Mt 4:18
zJer 1:7
Eze 2:3
Ac 1:8
Ac 4:20
Ac 5:29
1Sa 15:16
Jer 11:21
Mic 2:6
De 32:2
Eze 20:46
Eze 21:2
Eze 24:18
Ho 1:2
La 5:11
Mal 2:11
Ps 78:55
2K1 17:6
Eze 4:13
Le 26:33
Jer 36:31
kJer 24:1
nJer 1:11
rJer 24:3
Jer 24:8
Hab 2:3
sJer 1:14
La 4:18
Eze 7:2
tAm 7:8

³ "And the songs of [the] temple will actually be a howling in that day,"^u is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah. "There will be many a carcass.^{ov} In every place one will certainly throw [them] out—hush!"

4 "Hear this, YOU men snapping^m at someone poor,^y even in order to cause the meek ones^a of the earth to cease,^z ⁶ saying, 'How long will it be before the new moon passes* and we may sell cereals?'² Also, the sabbath,^a and we may offer grain for sale; in order to make the e'phah small^o and to make the shekel great and to falsify the scales of deception;* ⁶ in order to buy lowly people for mere silver and someone poor for [the price of] a pair of sandals, and that we may sell mere refuse of grain?"⁹

7 "Jehovah has sworn by the Superiority^b of Jacob,* 'Never will I forget all their works.*' ⁸ Will it not be on this account that the land^c will be agitated,^k and every inhabitant in it will have to mourn;ⁿ and it will, all of it, certainly come up just like the Nile and be tossed and sink down like the Nile of Egypt?"^r

9 " 'And it must occur in that day,' is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah,^d 'that I will make the sun^o go down at high noon,^s and I will cause darkness for the land^c on a bright day.^t ¹⁰ And I will turn YOUR festivals into mourning^{ou} and all YOUR songs into a dirge, and I will bring up upon all hips sackcloth^y and upon every head baldness;^y and I will make the situation like the mourning for an only [son],^z

uHo 10:5
Joe 1:13
Am 5:23
cNa 3:3
vJer 9:21
Jer 25:33
mPs 56:1
yNe 5:8
Ps 37:14
Ps 140:12
Pr 30:14
zPs 14:4
Nu 10:10
2K1 4:23
Col 2:16
Ex 20:8
Ne 13:15
Le 19:36
Mic 6:10
Pr 11:1
Ho 12:7
Le 25:39
Ne 10:31
De 33:26
Ps 47:4
Ps 68:34
1Sa 15:2
Ps 10:11
Ho 8:13
kIsa 5:25
Hag 2:3
nHo 4:3
rJer 46:8
Am 9:5
sJob 5:14
Isa 13:10
Jer 15:9
Am 4:13
Mic 3:6
Mt 24:29
tEx 10:21
Mt 27:45
cHab 3:11
uJer 6:26
Jer 9:19
Ho 2:11
cGe 27:41
cGe 37:34
vIsa 22:12
Jer 48:37
yEze 7:18
Jer 6:26
Zec 12:10
Lu 7:12

^a "Meek ones," M; "afflicted ones," Mmargin, ^b Or, "pride." ^c Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^d "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.donay' Y'ho-wih'*; LXX^{BC}, *Ky'rios Ky'rios*; VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "Jehovah"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*.

and the end result of it as a bitter day.”

11 “Look! There are days coming,” is the utterance of the Lord Jehovah, “and I will send a famine into the land,^a a famine,^o not for bread,^b and a thirst, not for water, but for hearing the words of Jehovah.”¹² And they will certainly stagger from sea all the way to sea, and from north even to the sunrise. They will keep roving about while searching for the word of Jehovah, but they will not find [it].¹³ In that day the beautiful virgins will swoon away, also the young men, because of the thirst;¹⁴ those who are swearing by the guiltiness^c of Sa-mar’ia,^a and who actually say: “As your god^c is alive, O Dan!”^a and, “As the way of Be’er-she’ba’ is alive!” And they will certainly fall, and they will rise up no more.”¹⁵

9 I saw Jehovah^d stationed above the altar,^{ok} and he proceeded to say: “Strike the pillar head, so that the thresholds will quake.”ⁿ And cut them off at the head, all of them.”^r And the last part of them I shall kill with the sword itself. No one fleeing of them will make good his flight, and no one escaping of them will make his getaway.^s ² If they dig down into She’ol,^{eo} from there my own hand will take them;^t and if they go up to the heavens, from there I shall bring them down.^u ³ And if they hide themselves on the top of Car’mel, from there I shall carefully search and be certain to

^a Or, “earth.” M, *er’ets*. ^b Or, “food.” M, *lehh’em*. ^c “God.” M, *el.o.him*; with the adjective “alive” in the singular number, masculine gender. LXX, *ho the.os*; Vg, *de.us*. ^d “Jehovah.” Sy; “the glory of Jehovah,” T; “the Lord,” LXX; *Do’mi.nus*, Vg; *A.do.nay*, M. This is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim say they changed the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay* instead of *Y’ho.wah*. ^e “She’ol.” MT, *sh’öl*; LXX, “Ha’des”; Vg, *in.fer.nus*.

*Job 3:5

oMt 24:7

oIsa 3:1
Ps 74:9
Eze 7:26
Mic 3:6
Mt 4:4
Mt 5:3

oDe 28:29
Pr 1:28
2Ti 3:7
oDe 32:25
Isa 40:30
La 2:19
oGe 26:10

oDe 9:21
1Ki 12:30
Ho 8:5
Ho 10:5
o1Ki 12:29
oGe 46:1
Am 5:5
o2Ki 18:11

oMal 1:7
k2Ch 18:18
Isa 6:1
Eze 1:28
nIsa 6:4

rPs 68:21
Hab 3:13
sIsa 24:18
Isa 30:16
Jer 48:44
Am 2:14
tJob 26:6
Ps 139:8
Isa 2:19
oHab 2:5

uJob 20:6
Isa 14:13
Jer 49:16
Jer 51:33
Eze 28:17
Ob 4
Lu 10:18

vJob 34:22
Jer 23:24

yPs 139:9

zIsa 27:1

*Le 26:33
De 28:65
Eze 5:2
Zec 13:8
oLe 17:10
De 28:63
2Ch 16:9
1Pe 3:12
oPs 46:6
Mic 1:4
oHo 4:3
*Ps 93:3

oPs 104:3
Ps 104:13
*Isa 45:18

*Ge 1:10

kGe 7:11
Am 5:8
nEx 3:15
Am 4:13
rJer 13:23

sEx 12:51
Ho 12:13
Am 2:10
tJer 47:4
u2Ki 16:9

Am 1:5
vPs 11:4
Pr 5:21
Pr 15:3
Jer 44:27
y1Ki 13:34
2Ki 18:9
zJer 30:11
Joe 2:32

take them.^v And if they conceal themselves from in front of my eyes on the floor of the sea,^v down there I shall command the serpent, and it must bite them.^z ⁴ And if they go into captivity before their enemies, from there I shall command the sword, and it will certainly kill them;^{*} and I will set my eyes upon them for bad, and not for good.^o ⁵ And the Sovereign Lord, Jehovah^a of the armies,^b is the One touching the land,^c so that it melts;^a and all the inhabitants in it will have to mourn;^o and it will certainly come up like the Nile, all of it, and sink down like the Nile of Egypt.^{*}

6 “He who is building in the heavens his stairs,^o and his structure over the earth that he founded;^{*} he who is calling for the waters of the sea,^{*} that he may pour them out upon the surface of the earth^k—Jehovah is his name.”ⁿ

7 “Are you not like the sons of the Cush’ites^d to me,^r O sons of Israel?” is the utterance of Jehovah. ‘Did I not bring Israel itself up out of the land of Egypt,^s and the Philis’tines^t out of Crete,^e and Syria^z out of Kir?’^{gu}

8 “Look! The eyes of the Lord Jehovah^h are upon the sinful kingdom,^v and he will certainly annihilate it from upon the surface of the ground.^y Nevertheless, I shall not completely annihilate the house of Jacob,^z is the utterance of Jehovah. ⁹ ‘For, look! I am commanding, and I will jiggle the house of Israel among all the

^a See Psalm 69: 6, footnote a. ^b “Of the armies,” MVgT; “the God Almighty [or, God the Almighty],” LXX; “the Mighty One,” Sy. ^c Or, “earth.” M, *er’ets*. ^d “The Cush’ites,” MSy; “the Ethi.o-pians,” LXXVg. ^e “Crete,” M, *Kaph.tôr*; LXXVgSyT, “Cappadocia.” See Deuteronomy 2: 23. ^f “Syria,” or, literally, “A’ram,” MTSy; “the Syrians,” LXXVg. ^g “Kir,” MSy; “Cy.re.ne,” VgT. ^h “The Lord Jehovah.” See Amos 3: 7, footnote b.

nations,* just as one jiggles the sieve, so that not a pebble falls to the earth.¹⁰ By the sword they will die—all the sinners of my people,¹¹ those who are saying: "The calamity will not come near or reach as far as us."¹²

11 "In that day I shall raise up¹³ the booth^a of David that is fallen,¹⁴ and I shall certainly repair their breaches. And its ruins I shall raise up, and I shall certainly build it up as in the days of long ago,¹⁵ to the end that they may take possession of what is left remaining of E'dom,^k and all the nations^b upon whom my name has been called,¹⁶ is the utterance of Jehovah, who is doing this.^c

13 "Look! There are days coming,' is the utterance of Jehovah, 'and the plowman will actually overtake the harvester,¹⁷ and the treader of grapes,¹⁸ the carrier^d of the seed;¹⁹ and the mountains will actually drip with sweet wine,²⁰ and the very hills will all find themselves melting.²¹ And I shall certainly gather the captive ones of my people Israel,²² and they will actually build [the] desolated cities and inhabit [them],²³ and plant vineyards and drink the wine of them, and make gardens and eat the fruit of them.²⁴

15 "And I shall certainly plant them upon their ground, and they will no more be uprooted from their ground that I have given them," Jehovah your God^e has said."

^a "Booth." M, *suk-kah'*; LXX, *ske-ne'* ("tent"; "royal palace," at Acts 15:16); Vg, *taber-na-cu-lum*. ^b "That they may take possession of what is left remaining of E'dom, and all the nations," M¹VgSyT; "that the rest of the men may seek out, and all the nations," LXX. ^c "Is the utterance of Jehovah, who is doing this," M¹VgSy; "says Jehovah God, who is doing these things," LXX. ^d Or, "drawer out"; that is, out of the seed bag. ^e "Your God," M¹VgSyT; "the Almighty God [or, God the Almighty]," LXX.

*Le 26:33
De 28:64

2K1 18:12
Isa 33:14
Eze 20:38

APs 10:11
2Pe 3:4

*Isa 9:6
Isa 11:1
Jer 23:5

Eze 17:24
Eze 37:24

Dn 2:44
Lu 1:31

*Isa 16:5
Eze 21:27

*Ac 15:16
2Sa 7:11

Ps 89:36
Ps 143:5

Ac 1:6
kIsa 11:14

Ob 19
nIsa 2:2

Isa 49:6
Isa 60:3
Isa 65:1

Ac 15:17
Ro 9:25

rLe 26:35
Eze 36:35

*Ge 40:10
sHo 2:22

tJoe 3:18

uPs 97:5

vJer 30:3

yIsa 61:4
Isa 65:21

Jer 30:18
Eze 36:33

zIsa 62:8
Eze 28:26

Mic 4:4

*Isa 60:21
Jer 24:6

Eze 37:25
Joe 3:20

OBADIAH^a

1 The vision of O-ba-di'ah:^a

This is what the Lord Jehovah^b has said regarding E'dom:^c "There is a report that we have heard from Jehovah, and there is an envoy who has been sent among the nations, 'Rise up, you people, and let us rise up against her in battle.'¹"

2 "Look! Small is what I have made you among the nations.² You are despised very much.³ The presumptuousness of your heart is what has deceived you,⁴ you who are residing in the retreats of the crag,⁵ the height where he dwells,⁶ saying in his heart, 'Who will bring me down to [the] earth?'⁷ If you should make your position high like the eagle,⁸ or if among the stars there were a placing of your nest, down from there I would bring you,"⁹ is the utterance of Jehovah.

5 "If it were thieves¹⁰ that came in to you, if despoilers [came in] by night, to what extent^d would you have been silenced?^k Would they not steal as much as they wanted? Or if it were grape gatherers that came in to you, would they not let some gleanings remain?ⁿ O the extent to which^e those of E'sau have been searched out!¹¹ [How] his concealed treasures have been sought out!¹² As far as the boundary

*Isa 21:11
Jer 25:21
Eze 25:12
Joe 3:19
Am 1:11
Mal 1:3

2Jer 6:4

*Nu 24:18
Jer 49:15

*Jer 49:8

*Pr 16:18
Pr 18:12

Jer 49:16
Mal 1:4

2K1 14:7
2Ch 25:12

*Isa 14:13
Ro 18:7

*Mic 1:16

*Job 20:6
Isa 14:15

Jer 49:16
Am 9:2

*Zec 5:4

kJer 49:9

nDe 24:21
Isa 17:6

rPs 139:1
Isa 10:14

sJer 49:10

*M, 'O-ba-d-yah'; meaning "Servant of Yah." Compare 1 Kings 18:3, footnote d. ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A-do-may' Y'ho-wih'*; LXXVgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords"; Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. ^c Or, by a slight correction, "making his dwelling high." ^d "To what extent?" Or, "how?" M, *eikh*. ^e "O the extent to which!" Or, "How!" M, *eikh*.

they have sent you. The very men^a in covenant with you have all deceived you.^t The men^a at peace with you have prevailed against you.^u Those [eating] food with you^{bv} will place a net under you as one in whom there is no discernment.^v "Will it not be in that day?" is the utterance of Jehovah.

"And I shall certainly destroy the wise ones out of E'dom,^z and discernment out of the mountainous region of E'sau.⁹ And your mighty men must become terrified,* O Te'man,^o for the reason that each one^c will be cut off from the mountainous region of E'sau, because of a killing.[^] ¹⁰ Because of the violence to your brother Jacob,⁹ shame will cover you,⁺ and you will have to be cut off to time indefinite.[@] ¹¹ In the day when you stood off on the side, in the day when strangers took his military force into captivity* and [when] outright foreigners^c entered his gate[#] and over Jerusalem they cast lots,^k you also were like one of them.ⁿ

¹² "And you ought not to watch the sight in the day of your brother,^r in the day of his misfortune; and you ought not to rejoice at the sons of Judah in the day of their perishing;^s and you ought not to maintain a big mouth in the day of [their] distress.[@] ¹³ You ought not to come into the gate of my people in the day of their disaster.^t You, even you, ought not to peer at his calamity in the day of his disaster; and you ought not to thrust out a hand upon his wealth^d

^a "Men." M, *a-nā-shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. ^b Literally, "[Those] of your bread," M. ^c "Each one." M, *ish*. ^d "You ought not to thrust out a hand upon his wealth"; by a correcting of M. Literally, "you [feminine gender, plural number] ought to make no thrust at his wealth," M.

tEze 23:22

uJer 20:10

Jer 38:22

vPs 41:9

yIsa 27:11

Jer 49:7

zPs 33:10

1Co 3:19

*Ps 76:5

Jer 49:22

Am 2:16

cGe 36:11

Job 2:11

Jer 49:7

Eze 25:13

Am 1:12

^Isa 34:5

9Ge 27:42

Nu 20:18

Ps 83:6

Ps 137:7

Am 1:11

9Jer 49:13

*Mal 1:4

2Kl 24:10

2Kl 25:5

Jer 52:28

cGe 17:12

#2Kl 25:4

kJoe 3:3

Na 3:10

nPs 50:18

rMic 4:11

sPr 24:17

La 4:21

Mic 7:8

cZep 1:15

tZec 1:15

uPs 137:7

Eze 25:12

vJoe 3:19

yAm 1:11

zJer 30:7

*Ps 110:6

Jer 9:25

Jer 25:32

Jer 49:12

Eze 30:13

Joe 3:14

Mic 5:15

Zep 1:7

Zec 14:3

Mal 4:5

2Th 2:2

2Pe 3:10

cJg 1:7

Ps 137:8

Eze 35:15

Joe 3:7

Hab 2:8

Mt 7:2

2Th 1:6

Jer 25:17

Jer 49:12

*Isa 49:26

eIsa 46:13

Joe 2:32

*Isa 4:3

Zec 8:3

*Isa 14:2

Am 9:12

kZec 12:6

nZec 37:19

rJoe 2:5

sJer 49:18

Ob 9

tNu 24:18

Jos 15:21

Am 9:12

Mal 1:4

uDe 1:7

Isa 11:14

vAm 1:8

yJer 31:6

2Kl 17:24

*Jos 13:25

cPs 122:7

Na 3:8

^Jos 3:10

in the day of his disaster.^u ¹⁴ And you ought not to stand at the parting of the ways,^v in order to cut off his escapees;^y and you ought not to hand over his survivors in the day of distress.^z ¹⁵ For the day of Jehovah against all the nations is near.^a In the way that you have done, it will be done to you.² Your sort of treatment will return upon your own head.[^] ¹⁶ For in the way that you people have drunk upon my holy mountain, all the nations will keep drinking constantly.⁹ And they will certainly drink and gulp down and become as though they had never happened to be.⁺

¹⁷ "And in Mount Zion is where those escaping will prove to be,[@] and it must become something holy;^{*} and the house of Jacob must take possession of the things for them to possess.^{b#} ¹⁸ And the house of Jacob must become a fire,^k and the house of Joseph a flame,ⁿ and the house of E'sau as stubble;^r and they must set them ablaze and devour them. And there will prove to be no survivor to the house of E'sau;^s for Jehovah himself has spoken [it]. ¹⁹ And they must take possession of the Neg'eb,^c even of the mountainous region of E'sau,^t and of the Shephe'-lah,^{du} even of the Philis'tines.^v And they must take possession of the field of E'phra-im^y and of the field of Sa-mar'i-a;^z and Benjamin [must take possession of] Gil'e-ad.⁺ ²⁰ And as for the exiles of this rampart,[^] to the sons of Israel will belong what the Ca'naan-ites⁹ [possessed] as far

^a Or, "the day of Jehovah is near upon all the nations." ^b Or, by a slight correction, "take possession of those holding them in possession," to agree with LXXVgSy. ^c Or, "the south"; that is, the southern part of ancient Palestine. ^d Or, "the lowlands." ^e "Rampart." M, *hhl*. "Fortress; stronghold."—German Bible Translation by Emil F. Kautzsch, grammarian.

as Zar'e-phath.^o And the exiles of Jerusalem, who were in Se-phar'ad, will take possession of the cities of the Neg'eb.^{a*}

21 "And saviors^{b*} will certainly come up onto^c Mount Zion,^{*} in order to judge the mountainous region of E'sau;^o and the kingship must become Jehovah's."^k

^a Or, "the south"; that is, the southern part of ancient Palestine.

^b "Saviors," MVgT; "saved men," LXX; "the redeemed ones," Sy.

^c "Onto," MVgSyT; "from (out of)," LXX.

JONAH^a

1 And the word of Jehovah began to occur to Jo'nah^{a*} the son of A-mit'tai, saying:
2 "Get up, go to Nin'e-veh^o the great city, and proclaim against her^a that their badness has come up before me."^o

3 And Jo'nah proceeded to get up and run away to Tar'shish^{*} on account of Jehovah,^{b*} and he finally came down to Jop'pa^{c*} and found a ship going to Tar'shish. So he paid its fare and went down into it, in order to go with them to Tar'shish on account of Jehovah.^b

4 And Jehovah himself hurled forth a great wind^a at the sea,^{*} and there came to be a great tempest on the sea; and as for the ship, it was about to be wrecked.^k ^o And the mariners began to fear and to call for aid, each one to his god.^{en} And they kept hurling out the articles that were in the ship to the sea, in order to lighten [it] of

^a M, *Yonah'*, meaning "dove"; LXX, *Yo-nas'*, as in Matthew 12: 39-41. ^b Or, "from before Jehovah." ^c "Jop'pa." M, *Ya.pho'*; LXX, *Vg, Yop'pe*. ^d "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *ventus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^e "God." M, *el.o.him'*; LXX, *ho the.os'*; Vg, *de'us*.

^o Ki 17:9
Lu 4:26

^{*} Jer 13:19
Jer 33:13
^o Ne 9:27
Isa 19:20
^{*} Joe 2:32

^{*} Ps 149:9
kZec 14:9

^{*} 2Ki 14:25
Lu 11:29

^o Ge 10:11
Na 1:1

Mt 12:41
^a Isa 58:1

^o Ge 18:20
Jas 5:4

Re 18:5
^{*} Isa 23:1

Jer 10:9
Eze 27:25

^o Ex 4:13
Jer 26:21

Lu 9:62
^{*} Jos 19:46

Ac 9:36
Ac 10:5

^{*} Ex 14:21

kPs 107:25
Mr 4:37

n1Ki 18:26
Isa 45:20

rAc 27:18

sMt 8:24
Mt 26:40

tLu 22:46
Eph 5:14

uPs 78:34
Ps 107:6

v2Sa 12:22
Es 4:16

Am 5:15
Jon 3:9

wJg 20:9
Ps 22:18

Mt 27:35
Ac 13:19

yJos 7:11
Jos 22:20

Isa 14:38
zNu 32:23

Jos 7:18
1Co 4:5

*Jos 7:19
Isa 14:43

Jas 5:16
^o Ge 47:3

^a Isa 30:13
Lu 22:59

^o Ge 14:13
Php 3:5

*Da 2:18
Re 11:13

^o Job 1:8
Ac 27:23

Re 15:4
^{*} Ps 146:6

Ac 14:15
*Da 5:6

Joh 19:8
kJos 7:25

Ps 96:4
n1Sa 6:2

Ps 89:9

them.^r But Jo'nah himself had gone down to the innermost parts of the decked vessel, and he proceeded to lie down and go fast asleep.^s ^o At length the ship captain^a came near to him and said to him: "What is the matter with you, sleeper?^t Get up, call out to your god!^{bu} Perhaps The [true] God^c will show himself caring about us, and we shall not perish."^v

7 And they began to say to one another: "Come, and let us cast lots,^w that we may know on whose account we have this calamity."^y And they kept casting lots, and finally the lot fell upon Jo'nah.^z ^o So they said to him: "Do tell us, please, on whose account it is that we are having this calamity?^{*} What is your work,^o and from where do you come? What is your country, and from which people are you?"^a

9 At that he said to them: "I am a Hebrew,^o and Jehovah the God of the heavens^{*} I am fearing,^o the One who made the sea and the dry land."^x

10 And the men^d began to fear greatly,^{*} and they went on to say to him: "What is this that you have done?"^k For the men^d had come to know that it was on account of Jehovah^e that he was running away, because he had told them. ¹¹ Finally they said to him: "What should we do to you, in order that the sea may become still for us?" For the sea was continually growing more tempestuous.ⁿ ¹² So he said to them: "Lift me up and hurl me into the sea, and the

^a "The ship captain." Literally, "the principal one of the sailors," M. ^b "God." M, *el.o.him'*; LXX, *ho the.os'*; Vg, *de'us*. ^c "The [true] God." M, *ha-El.o.him'*. See Genesis 5:22, 24, footnote a. ^d "Men." M, *a.nä.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. ^e Or, "from before Jehovah."

sea will become still for YOU;^r because I am aware that it is on my account that this great tempest is upon YOU.^{s 13} But the men^a tried to work their way through, in order to bring [the ship] back to the dry land; yet they were unable, because the sea was continually growing more tempestuous against them.^t

14 And they proceeded to call out to Jehovah and to say:^u "Ah, now, O Jehovah, may we, please, not perish because of the soul^b of this man! And do not put upon us innocent blood,^v since you yourself, O Jehovah, have done according to what you have delighted in!"^y ¹⁵ Then they lifted up Jo'nah and hurled him into the sea;^z and the sea began to halt from its raging.* ¹⁶ At that the men^a began to fear Jehovah greatly,^q and so they offered a sacrifice to Jehovah⁴ and made vows.^o

17 Now Jehovah appointed a great fish^c to swallow Jo'nah,⁺ so that Jo'nah came to be in the inward parts of the fish three days and three nights.^o

2 Then Jo'nah prayed to Jehovah his God^d from the inward parts of the fish^{x 2} and said:

"Out of my distress I called out to Jehovah,[#] and he proceeded to answer me.^k

"Out of the belly of She'ol^e I cried for help.ⁿ You heard my voice.^r

³ "When you threw me [to] the depths, into the heart of the open sea,^s

"Then a very river encircled me.^t

^a "Men." M, *a.nä.shim'*; the plural number of *ish*. ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. ^c "Fish." M, *dag*; LXX, *ke'tos* ("sea monster"); or, "huge fish"; Vg, *pis'cis* ("fish"). ^d "God." M, *E.lo.him'*. ^e "She'ol." M, *sh'ol*; LXX, *Hai'dēs*; Vg, *in'ferus*.

r2Sa 24:17

s2Sa 21:4
1Kl 16:33
1Ch 21:17
Ac 27:18

tPs 107:25
Ac 27:14

uPs 107:28
Isa 26:16
vDe 21:8
yPs 115:3
Ps 135:6
Isa 46:10
Da 4:35
zJos 7:24
2Sa 21:9

*Ps 39:9
Ps 107:29
Mt 8:26
oDa 4:34
Da 6:26
Ac 5:11
AGe 8:20
2Kl 5:17
Ps 107:22
oGe 28:20
Ps 50:14
Ps 66:13
+Ge 1:21
Ps 104:25
oMt 12:40
Mt 16:4
Lu 11:30
*2Ch 33:13
Ps 91:15
Isa 26:16
Jas 5:13
Ps 130:1
La 3:55
Ac 16:25
kPs 4:1
Ps 22:24
Heb 5:7
nPs 16:10
Mt 12:40
Ac 2:27
rPs 34:6
sPs 69:1
Ps 88:5
Eze 27:4
tPs 42:7

uPs 31:22
Isa 49:14
Jer 15:1

v2Ch 6:38
Ps 5:7
Da 6:10

yJon 2:3

zIsa 40:12
*Job 33:24
Ps 16:10
Isa 28:17
Ac 2:31
Ac 13:35
oPs 119:81
Heb 12:3
APs 77:11
Ps 143:5
2Co 1:9
o2Ch 30:27
Ps 18:6
+1Sa 12:21
2Kl 17:15
Jer 16:19
Hab 2:18
1Co 12:2
oPs 50:14
Ho 14:2
Ro 12:1
Heb 13:15
*Job 22:27
Ps 22:25
Ps 50:14
Ec 5:4
oHab 3:8

*Ps 3:8
Isa 12:2
Re 7:10

kPs 33:9
Ps 78:23
Isa 50:2

"All your breakers and your waves—over me they passed on.

⁴ "And as for me, I said, 'I have been driven away from in front of your eyes!'"^u

"How shall I^a gaze again upon your holy temple?"^v

⁵ "Waters encircled me clear to [the] soul;^b the surging waters^c themselves kept enclosing me.

"Weeds were wound around my head.^v

⁶ "To the bottoms of [the] mountains I went down.

"As for the earth, its bars were upon me for time indefinite.^z

"But out of [the] pit you proceeded to bring up my life, O Jehovah my God.^d"

⁷ "When my soul^b fainted away within me,^o Jehovah was the One whom I remembered.⁴

"Then my prayer came in to you, into your holy temple.^o

⁸ "As for those who are observing the idols of untruth, they abandon their own loving-kindness.^e"

⁹ "But as for me, with the voice of thanksgiving I will sacrifice to you.^o

"What I have vowed, I will pay.^x Salvation^o belongs to Jehovah."^h

10 In time Jehovah commanded^f the fish, so that it vomited out Jo'nah onto the dry land.^k

^a Or, "Indeed [Surely] I shall." Th, "How shall I?" ^b "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē'*; Vg, *a'ni.ma*. ^c "The surging waters." M, *t'hōm*; LXXVg, "an abyss." ^d "God." M, *E.lo.him'*. ^e Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^f Literally, "said to," M.

3 Then the word of Jehovah occurred to Jo'nah the second time, saying:ⁿ "Get up, go to Nin'e-veh^r the great city, and proclaim to her the proclamation that I am speaking to you."^s

3 At that, Jo'nah got up and went to Nin'e-veh in accord with the word of Jehovah.^t Now Nin'e-veh herself proved to be a city great to God,^a with a walking distance of three days. ⁴ Finally Jo'nah started to enter into the city the walking distance of one day, and he kept proclaiming and saying: "Only forty days more, and Nin'e-veh will be overthrown."^u

5 And the men^b of Nin'e-veh began to put faith in God,^{cv} and they proceeded to proclaim a fast and to put on sackcloth,^v from the greatest one of them even to the least one of them.^z ⁶ When the word reached the king of Nin'e-veh,^{*} then he rose up from his throne and put off his official garment from himself and covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the ashes.[□] ⁷ Furthermore, he had the cry made, and he had it said in Nin'e-veh, by the decree of the king and his great ones, saying: "No man^d and no domestic animal, no herd and no flock, should taste anything at all. None should take food. Even water they should not drink.[^] ⁸ And let them cover themselves with sackcloth, man^d and domestic animal; and let them call out to God^o in a strong way and come back,⁺ each one from his bad way and from the violence

nJon 1:1

rJon 1:2
Zep 2:13sJer 1:17
Eze 2:7
1Co 9:16

tEze 9:11

uJer 18:7

vEx 9:20
Mt 12:41
Lu 11:32
Heb 11:7y2Ch 20:3
Ezr 8:21
Jer 36:9Joe 1:14
zJer 31:34
Ac 8:10
Ps 2:10□Es 4:1
Job 2:8
Jer 6:26
Da 9:3
Mt 11:21^2Ch 20:3
Ezr 8:21
Joe 2:15°Ps 130:1
Jon 1:14
Isa 1:16
Eze 18:21Mt 3:8
Ac 3:19

^a "Great to God [Elo-him']." Or, "extremely great." Compare the expression "divinely beautiful [beautiful to God]" in Acts 7:20, footnote d. ^b "Men." See Jonah 1:10, footnote d. ^c "God." M, *Elo-him'*. ^d "Man." M, *ha-a-dam'*.

eIsa 59:6

*Ps 106:45
Jon 1:6
Lu 15:18*1K1 21:29
Jer 31:18
Lu 11:32
Lu 15:20kJer 18:8
Joe 2:13
Am 7:3oMt 5:22
n1K1 20:43
Mt 20:15
Jas 4:5

rJon 1:3

sEx 34:6
Nu 14:18
Ps 145:8
Joe 2:13tPs 78:38
Ps 86:5
Ho 11:8
Mic 7:18uEx 32:14
Ps 90:13
Jer 18:8
Am 7:3vNu 11:15
1K1 19:4
Job 6:9
Jer 20:14yNu 20:11
Ps 106:32
Mt 20:15
Jas 1:19z1K1 19:4
*Ge 19:17

that was in their hands.^o ⁹ Who is there knowing whether The [true] God^a may turn back and actually feel regret and turn back from his burning anger, so that we may not perish?"^x

10 And The [true] God^a got to see their works, that they had turned back from their bad way,^{*} and so The [true] God^a began feeling regret over the calamity that he had spoken of causing to them; and he did not cause [it].^k

4 To Jo'nah, though, it was highly displeasing,ⁿ and he got to be hot with anger.^o ² And he proceeded to pray to Jehovah and to say: "Ah, now, O Jehovah, was not this an affair of mine,^b while I happened to be on my own ground? That is why I went ahead and ran away to Tar'shish;^r for I knew that you are a God^c gracious and merciful,^s slow to anger and abundant in loving-kindness,^{dt} and feeling regret over the calamity.^u ³ And now, O Jehovah, take away, please, my soul^e from me, for my dying is better than my being alive."^{fv}

4 In turn Jehovah said: "Have you rightly become hot with anger?"^y

5 Then Jo'nah went out of the city and sat down east of the city; and gradually he made for himself there a booth, that he might sit under it in the shade^z until he would see what would become of the city.^{*} ⁶ Accordingly Jehovah God^e appointed a bottle-gourd plant,^h that

^a "The [true] God." See Genesis 5:22, footnote a; 1 Samuel 4:13, 17, 18, footnote a. ^b "An affair of mine." Or, "my word." ^c "God." M, *El*; Vg, *De'us*. ^d Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*. ^e "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psyche*; Vg, *a-ni-ma*. ^f Or, "my life." M. ^g "Jehovah God." MLXXVgSyT. See Genesis 2:4, footnote b. ^h Or, "Ricinus plant; castor-oil plant." M, *qi-qa-yōn'*.

it should come up over Jo'nah, in order to become a shade over his head, to deliver^o him from his calamitous state.^o And Jo'nah began to rejoice greatly over the bottle-gourd plant.^a

7 But The [true] God^b appointed a worm at the ascending of the dawn on the next day, that it should strike the bottle-gourd plant,^o and it gradually dried up.^{*} And it came about that, as soon as the sun shone forth, God^c also went on to appoint a parching east wind,^e and the sun kept striking upon the head of Jo'nah, so that he was swooning away;^{*} and he kept asking that his soul^d might die, and he repeatedly said: "My dying off is better than my being alive."^e

9 And God^c proceeded to say to Jo'nah: "Have you rightly become hot with anger over the bottle-gourd plant?"^k

At that he said: "I have rightly become hot with anger,ⁿ to the point of death."^r 10 But Jehovah said: "You, for your part, felt sorry for the bottle-gourd plant, which you did not toil upon or make get big, which proved to be a mere growth of a night^f and perished as a mere growth of a night.^f 11 And, for my part, ought I not to feel sorry for Nin'e-veh the great city,^s in which there exist more than one hundred and twenty thousand^s men,^h who do not at all know the difference between their right hand and their left,^t besides many domestic animals?"^u

^a Or, "Ricin plant; castor-oil plant." M, *qi-ga-yōn'*. ^b "The [true] God." See Genesis 5:22, footnote a; 1 Samuel 4:13, 17, 18, footnote a. ^c "God." M, *Elo-him'*; LXX, *ho The-os'*; VgT, "Jehovah"; Sy, "Jehovah God." ^d "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chē'*; Vg, *a-ni-ma*. ^e Or, "my life," M. ^f "A mere growth of a night." Or, "just a night old." Literally, "a mere son of a night," M. ^g Literally, "twelve myriads," M. ^h "Men." M, *a-dam'*.

OZep 1:18

OPs 103:10

AAm 6:13

Lu 10:20

Job 1:21

Isa 40:7

Joe 1:12

Eze 19:12

Ps 121:6

Isa 49:10

Am 8:13

Re 7:16

Nu 20:3

Job 6:9

kJon 4:4

nGe 4:5

rJg 16:18

Mt 26:38

Re 9:6

sMt 18:33

Lu 15:32

tEze 44:23

uPs 36:6

Ps 104:14

Ps 145:9

MICA^H

1 The word of Jehovah that occurred to Mi'cah^a of Mo'resh-eth,^b in the days of Jo'tham,^c A'haz,^d Heze-ki'ah,^e kings of Judah,^f that he visioned concerning Sa-mar'i-a^g and Jerusalem:^{*}

2 "Hear, O you peoples, all of you;^h pay attention, O earth and what fills you,^k and let the Lord Jehovah^c serve against you as a witness,ⁿ Jehovah^d from his holy temple.^r 3 For, look! Jehovah is going forth from his place,^s and he will certainly come down and tread upon earth's high places.^t 4 And the mountains must melt under him,^u and the low plains themselves will split apart,^v like wax because of the fire,^y like waters being poured down a steep place.

5 "It is because of the transgression of Jacob^o that there is all this, even because of the sins of the house of Israel.^z What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Sa-mar'i-a?^{*} And what are the high places^e of Judah?^z Are they not Jerusalem?^z 6 And I shall certainly make Sa-mar'i-a a heap of ruins of the field,^a the planting places of a vineyard; and I will pour down into the valley her stones, and her foundations I shall lay bare.^o 7 And her graven images will all be crushed to

*Jer 26:18

2Kl 15:5

1Ch 3:12

2Kl 16:2

Isa 7:1

Ho 1:1

2Kl 18:1

2Ch 29:1

Isa 36:1

Isa 1:1

1Kl 16:24

Am 4:1

Ac 8:5

Mic 3:10

Ps 49:1

kPs 24:1

nPs 50:7

Mal 3:5

rPs 11:4

Hab 2:20

sIsa 26:21

Eze 3:12

tDe 33:29

Hab 3:19

uPs 97:5

vZec 14:4

y2Pe 3:10

cGe 25:26

2Kl 17:7

Jer 2:17

1Kl 13:32

Ho 7:1

2Kl 16:3

2Kl 19:25

Isa 25:2

La 4:1

Eze 13:14

Mt 24:2

^a Called Mi-cai'ah by M in Jeremiah 26:18, this name meaning "Who is like Jah?" LXX, *Mi-khai'as*; Vg, *Michae'as*. ^b Or, "Mi-cah the Mo-rash-tite." ^c "The Lord Jehovah." See Genesis 15:2, footnotes e, f. ^d "Jehovah," 11 Hebrew manuscripts and LXX-VgSyT; "the Lord" (*A-do-nay'*), M. This is one of the 134 passages where the Jewish Sopherim claim that they changed the primitive Hebrew text to read *A-do-nay'* instead of *Y'ho-wah'*. ^e "The high places," MVg; "the sin," Sy; "the sin of the house," LXX.

pieces,* and all the gifts [made] to her as her hire will be burned in the fire;^o and all her idols I shall make a desolate waste. For from the things given as the hire of a prostitute she collected [them], and to the thing given as the hire of a prostitute they will return.^u

8 On this account I will wail and howl;[#] I will walk barefoot and naked.^o I shall make a wailing like the jackals, and a mourning like female ostriches.^a For the stroke^b upon her is unhealable;^r for it has come as far as Judah,^s [the] plague as far as the gate of my people, as far as Jerusalem.^t

10 "In Gath do not you men tell [it] out; positively do not weep.^o In the house of Aph'rah roll yourself about in the very dust.^v 11 Make your way across,^v O inhabitress of Sha'phir, in shameful nudity.^z The inhabitress of Za'a-nan has not gone forth. The wailing of Beth-e'zel will take from you people [its] standing place. 12 For the inhabitress of Ma'roth has waited for good,* but what is bad has come down from Jehovah to the gate of Jerusalem.^o 13 Attach the chariot to the team of horses,^a O inhabitress of La'chish.^o The beginning of sin was what she was to the daughter of Zion,⁺ for in you^c the transgressions of Israel have been found.^o 14 Therefore you^c will give parting gifts to Mo'resh-eth-gath.* The houses of Ach'zib* were as something deceitful to the kings of Israel. 15 The dispossession^d I shall yet bring to you,^k O inhabitress of Ma-re'shah.ⁿ As far as A-dul'lam^r the glory of Israel will come. 16 Cause baldness, and shear [your hair] off on

*Le 26:30
2Ch 34:4
Ho 8:6
oEze 16:41
Ho 9:1

*De 23:18
Isa 23:17
#Isa 18:9
Jer 4:19
Jer 9:1
Jer 9:10
oGe 2:25
kIsa 20:2

nJob 30:29
Isa 34:13
rIsa 1:5
Jer 15:18
s2Kl 18:13
Isa 8:8
t2Ch 32:2
Isa 10:32

oGe 21:16
u2Sa 1:20
vJer 6:26
Eze 27:30
yJer 48:6
zIsa 47:3
Jer 13:26
Eze 16:37

*Job 30:26
Isa 59:9
Jer 8:15

oIsa 45:7
Am 3:6
2Kl 18:24
oJos 15:39
2Kl 18:14
Isa 37:8
*IKl 14:16
Re 2:20
Re 18:5
2Kl 16:3
Jer 3:8
2Kl 15:19
#Jos 15:44

kIsa 7:17
nJos 15:44
2Ch 11:8
rGe 38:1
Ne 11:30

a "Female ostriches." Literally, "daughters of an ostrich," M.
b "Stroke," LXXVgSy; "strokes," M. c "You." In the singular number, feminine gender. d Or, "The one taking possession."

sIsa 15:2
Jer 7:29
oHab 1:8
tDe 28:41
2Kl 17:6
Isa 39:7

uEs 3:8
Ps 36:4
Lu 22:2
vHo 7:6
Mt 27:1
Ac 23:12
yGe 31:29
Fr 3:27
Joh 19:10
zEx 20:17
IKl 21:2
Isa 5:8
*Jer 22:17
Eze 18:12
Eze 22:12

oNe 5:5
*Jer 8:3
Am 3:1
oJer 18:11
Jas 2:13
*Jer 27:12
Am 2:14
oIsa 2:11
Da 5:20
*Am 5:13
*Nu 23:18
Job 27:1
kJer 9:10
La 1:1
Eze 2:10
nIsa 6:11
Jer 25:9
Zep 1:2
r2Kl 17:23

sNu 26:55
oMt 16:18
tDe 23:2
uAc 4:17

vJer 6:15
Jer 8:12
yJer 2:4
Ro 9:6

account of your sons of exquisite delight.^s Broaden out your baldness like [that of] the eagle,^o because they have gone away from you into exile.^u

2 "Woe to those who are scheming what is harmful, and to those practicing what is bad, upon their beds!^u By the light of the morning they proceed to do it,^v because it is in the power of their hand.^v 2 And they have desired fields and have made seizures;^z also houses, and have taken [them]; and they have defrauded an able-bodied man^a and his household,* a man^b and his hereditary possession.^o

3 "Therefore this is what Jehovah has said, 'Here I am thinking up against this family^a a calamity^o from which you people will not remove your necks,* so that you will not walk haughtily;^o because it is a time of calamity.* 4 In that day one will raise up concerning you people a proverbial saying* and will certainly lament a lamentation, even a lamentation.^k One will have to say: "We have positively been despoiled!"ⁿ The very portion of my people he alters.^r How he removes [it] from me! To the unfaithful one he apportions out our own fields."^o

5 Therefore you will come to have no one casting out the cord, by lot,^s in the congregation^o of Jehovah.^t 6 Do not you people let [words] drop.^u They let [words] drop. They will not let [words] drop concerning these [things]. Humiliations will not move away.^v

7 "Is it being said, O house of Jacob:^v "Has the spirit^d of Jehovah become discontented, or

a "An able-bodied man." M, *geb'er*. b "A man." M, *ish*. c "Congregation" M, *qahal*; LXX, *ekklesia* ("ecclesia"). See Deuteronomy 4:10, footnotes d, e. d "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d.

are these his dealings?"^a Do not my own words do good^b in the case of the one walking uprightly?^c

8 "And yesterday my own people proceeded to rise up as an outright enemy.^d From the front of a garment^e you strip off the majestic ornament, from the ones passing by confidently, [like] those returning from war. ⁹The women of my people you drive out from the house in which a woman^a has exquisite delight. From off her children you take my splendor,^f to time indefinite.^g ¹⁰GET up and go,^h because this is not a resting place.ⁱ Because of the fact that she has become unclean,^k there is a wrecking; and [the] wrecking work is painful.ⁿ ¹¹If a man,^b walking by wind^c and falsehood, has told the lie:^r "I shall let [words] drop to you concerning wine^o and concerning intoxicating liquor," he also will certainly become the one letting [words] drop for this people.^t

12 "I shall positively gather Jacob, all of you;^u I shall without fail collect the remaining ones^d of Israel together.^v In unity I shall set them, like a flock in the pen,^e like a drove in the midst of its pasture;^y they will be noisy because of men.^z

13 "The one making a break-through will certainly come up before them:^a they will actually break through. And they will pass through a gate, and they will go out by it.^c And their king will pass through before them, with Jehovah at the head of them."^a

^a "A woman." Literally, "she," M. ^b "A man." M, ish. ^c "Wind." M, ru'ahh. See Genesis 1: 2, footnote d. ^d Or, "the remnant." ^e "Flock in the pen," by a change of vowel pointing in M; literally, "flock of Boz'rah," M. ^f "Men." M, a-dam.

zDe 32:4
Isa 50:2
*Ps 19:7
Ps 33:4
Jer 15:16
□Ps 15:2
Pr 2:7
ΔIsa 9:21
□Ge 9:23

*Eze 16:14
□Joe 3:6
*De 30:18
Jos 23:15
*De 12:9
Ps 95:11
Heb 4:1
kLe 18:25
Ps 106:38
Jer 3:2
nJer 9:19
Jer 10:18
rIKl 22:6
Isa 9:15
Jer 6:14
2Th 2:9
2Pe 2:13
1Jo 4:1
□Zec 10:7

t2Th 2:11

uIsa 11:11
Jer 31:8
vJer 23:3

yEze 34:11
Joh 10:16
zEze 36:38
Zec 8:22

*Isa 45:1
Isa 59:16
□Isa 62:10
ΔIsa 42:13
Isa 49:10
Zec 9:14
Zec 10:5

*Nu 13:3
Nu 30:1
2Ch 5:2
*De 1:13
1Co 6:5
*IKl 22:8
Am 5:10
Lu 19:14
Joh 7:7
*2Ch 19:2
Ro 1:30
*Ge 2:16
*Ps 35:15
kPs 53:4
Eze 34:3

nIsa 3:15
rPr 1:28
Mt 7:22
Lu 13:25
Joh 9:31
*De 31:17
Jer 33:5
Isa 3:11
Ro 2:8
uIsa 9:16
Isa 56:10
Mt 15:14
vEze 13:19
Mt 7:15
Ro 16:18
□Mal 2:5
yJer 23:17
Eze 13:10

zPs 55:3
Ps 120:7
Ps 140:2
*Isa 8:20
Jer 13:16
□Ps 74:9
Eze 13:23

*Isa 59:10
Am 8:9
ΔIsa 9:9
*Zec 13:4
*Isa 44:25
*Ex 8:18
*Le 13:45
Eze 24:17
kIsa 28:6

nIsa 11:2
Ac 4:8
1Co 2:4

3 And I proceeded to say: "Hear, please, YOU heads of Jacob and YOU commanders of the house of Israel.^o Is it not YOUR business to know justice?" ²You haters of what is good^e and lovers of badness,^f tearing off their skin from people and their organism from off their bones;^g ³YOU the ones who have also eaten^h the organism of my people,^k and have stripped their very skin from off them, and smashed to pieces their very bones, and crushed [them] to pieces like what is in a widemouthed pot and like flesh in the midst of a cooking pot.ⁿ ⁴At that time they will call to Jehovah for aid, but he will not answer them.^r And he will conceal his face from them in that time,^s according as they committed badness in their dealings.^t

5 "This is what Jehovah has said against the prophets that are causing my people to wander,^u that are biting with their teeth^v and that actually call out, 'Peace!'^o that, when anyone does not put [something] into their mouths, also actually sanctify war against him,^z ⁶"Therefore you men will have night,^a so that there will be no vision;^q and darkness YOU will have, so as not to practice divination. And the sun will certainly set upon the prophets, and the day will get actually dark upon them.^d ⁷And the seers^o will have to be ashamed,^f and the diviners^g will certainly be disappointed.^h And they will have to cover over the mustache,ⁱ all of them, for there is no answer from God.^j ⁸bk

8 And, on the other hand, I myself have become full of power, with the spirit^c of Jehovah, and of justice and mightiness,ⁿ in order to tell

^a Or, "err." ^b "God." M, El-o-him'; Vg, De'us. ^c "Spirit." M, ru'ahh.

to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin.^r

9 Hear, please, this, YOU head ones of the house of Jacob and YOU commanders of the house of Israel,^s the ones treating justice as detestable and the ones who make even everything that is straight crooked;^t ¹⁰ building Zion with acts of bloodshed^o and Jerusalem with unrighteousness.^u ¹¹ Her own head ones judge^o merely for a bribe,^v and her own priests^p instruct just for hire,^y and her own prophets practice divination simply for money;^{az} yet upon Jehovah they keep supporting themselves, saying: "Is not Jehovah in the midst of us?" There will come upon us no calamity.^q ¹² Therefore on account of YOU men Zion will be plowed up as a mere field, and Jerusalem herself will become mere heaps of ruins,^a and the mountain of the house will be as the high places of a forest.

4 And it must occur in the final part of the days^o [that] the mountain^r of the house of Jehovah will become firmly established above the top of the mountains, and it will certainly be lifted up above the hills;^o and to it peoples must stream.^x ² And many nations will certainly go and say: "Come, YOU people, and let us go up to the mountain of Jehovah and to the house of the God^b of Jacob;^h and he will instruct us about his ways,^{ok} and we will walk^c in his paths."ⁿ For out of Zion law^o will go forth, and the word of Jehovah out of Jerusalem.^r ³ And he will certainly render judgment among many peoples,^s and set matters straight respecting mighty nations far away.^t And they will have to beat their swords into plowshares and their

^a Or, "silver." ^b "God." M, *Elo.him*. ^c Or, "go."

rIsa 58:1
Mt 3:7
Ac 7:51

sMic 3:1

tLe 26:15
De 27:19
Jer 5:28
Zec 9:11

oMt 5:25
UJer 22:13
Hab 2:9
Mt 27:25

pMal 2:7
vIsa 8:3
Isa 1:23
Eze 22:12

yJer 6:13
Tit 1:11
zIsa 56:11
Ac 8:18

2Pe 2:3
*Isa 48:2
Jer 7:4
Ro 2:17

*Am 9:10
APs 79:1
Jer 26:18
Mt 24:2

oGe 49:1
Ac 2:17
*Isa 11:9
Zec 8:3

*Isa 2:2
*Ps 86:9
Isa 60:3
Re 15:4

*Isa 2:3
Jer 31:6
Zec 8:20
kDe 6:1

Ps 25:9
Joh 6:45
*Mal 3:1
nPr 3:6

Heb 12:13
oMal 2:6
rPs 50:2
Ps 110:2

Isa 51:4
sIsa 2:10
Isa 51:5
Mt 25:31

tIsa 60:12
Joe 3:16

uHo 2:18
Zec 9:10

vPs 72:7
Isa 2:4
Isa 9:7
Isa 60:17

y1Kl 4:25
Zec 3:10
zIsa 54:14
Eze 34:25

Eze 39:26
*Isa 40:5
Isa 58:14
2Kl 17:29

Jer 2:11
*Ge 17:1
Zec 10:12

Col 3:17
*Ex 3:15
Ps 48:14
Ps 145:1

*Eze 34:16
Zep 3:19
Heb 12:12
*Isa 56:8

Eze 34:12
Lu 19:10
*Isa 10:21
Ro 9:27

Ro 11:5
*Isa 60:22
mPs 48:2
Ps 50:2

Jer 10:10
*Ge 11:4
n2Sa 5:7
Isa 10:32

rOb 21
*Zep 3:8
sZec 9:9
Joh 12:15

tJer 8:19
uHo 3:4
Ho 10:3
*Mt 18:14

spears into pruning shears.^u They will not lift up sword, nation against nation, neither will they learn war any more.^v ⁴ And they will actually sit,^a each one^b under his vine and under his fig tree,^y and there will be no one making [them] tremble;^z for the very mouth of Jehovah^c of armies^d has spoken [it].^{*}

5 For all the peoples, for their part, will walk each one in the name of its god;^e but we, for our part, shall walk in the name of Jehovah our God^f to time indefinite, even forever.^g

6 "In that day," is the utterance of Jehovah, "I will gather her that was limping;^{*} and her that was dispersed I will collect together,^h even her whom I have treated badly. ⁷ And I shall certainly make her that was limping a remnant,^x and her that was removed far off a mighty nation;^h and Jehovah will actually rule as king over them in Mount Zion, from now on and into time indefinite."^m

8 "And as for you,^h O tower^o of the drove,ⁱ the mound^j of the daughter of Zion,ⁿ as far as to you^h it will come, yes, the first^k dominion will certainly come,^r the kingdom^o belonging to the daughter of Jerusalem.^s

9 "Now why is it that you^l keep shouting loudly?^t Is there no king in you,^u or has your own counselor perished,^o so that pangs like

^a Or, "dwell." ^b "Each one." M, *ish*. ^c "Mouth of Jehovah." See Appendix, page 422. ^d "Jehovah of armies," MVGT; "Jehovah almighty," LXX. ^e Or, "gods." M, *elo.him*; Vg, *de'us*; Sy, *a-la'ha*. ^f "God." M, *Elo.him*; LXX, *Theos*; Vg, *De'us*. ^g Or, "forever and ever." See Exodus 15:18, footnote d. ^h "You." In the masculine gender, singular number. ⁱ Or, "of E'der." Compare Genesis 35:21, where "the tower of E'der [the drove]" occurs. ^j Or, "acropolis." M, *O'phel*. Compare 2 Kings 5:24, footnote d. ^k Or, "former." ^l "You." In the feminine gender, singular number.

those of a woman giving birth have grabbed hold of you?^{av} ¹⁰ Be in severe pains and burst forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman giving birth,^v for now you will go forth from a town, and you will have to reside in the field.^z And you will have to come as far as to Babylon.^b There you will be delivered.^z There Jehovah will buy you back out of the palm of your enemies.^a

11 "And now there will certainly be gathered against you many nations, those who are saying, 'Let her be polluted, and may our eyes look upon Zion.'¹² But as for them, they have not come to know the thoughts of Jehovah, and they have not come to understand his counsel;^a because he will certainly collect them together like a row of newly cut grain to the threshing floor.^o

13 "Get up and thresh, O daughter of Zion;^a for your horn I shall change into iron,^c and your hoofs I shall change into copper, and you will certainly pulverize many peoples;^a and by a ban you will actually devote to Jehovah their unjust profit,^k and their resources to the [true] Lord^e of the whole earth."^{on}

5 "At this time you make cuttings upon yourself,^r O daughter of an invasion; a siege he has laid against us.^s With the rod they will strike upon the cheek the judge of Israel.^{dt}

2 "And you,^e O Beth'le-hem^o Eph'ra-thah,^u the one too little to get to be among the thousands of Judah,^v from you^{ev} there will come out

vIsa 13:8
Isa 21:3
1Th 5:3
yHo 13:13
zHo 2:14
*2K1 20:18
2Ch 36:20
cIsa 45:13
Zec 2:7
aPs 106:10
Isa 48:20
Jer 15:21

oLa 2:15
Ob 12
*Isa 55:8
Jer 29:11
Ro 11:33

oIsa 21:10
Lu 3:17
*Isa 41:15
Jer 51:33
*Ge 4:22
*Zec 9:13
Re 2:27
kJos 6:19
2Sa 8:11
Isa 23:18
nZec 4:14
Zec 6:5
rJer 48:37
cMal 4:6
sDe 28:52
2K1 25:1
Lu 19:43
tMt 26:31
Mt 26:67
Mr 14:27
uGe 35:19
1Sa 16:1
Lu 2:4
oMt 2:1
vMt 2:6
Lu 2:4
yLu 2:11
Joh 7:42

*Ge 49:10
1Ch 5:2
Mt 2:6
Lu 1:32
*Pr 8:22
Joh 1:1
Joh 8:58
Re 1:17
o1K1 14:16
Ho 11:8
aIsa 66:7
Re 12:2

oIsa 49:9
Eze 34:23
Joh 10:11
*Ps 93:1
Eze 37:24
oIsa 32:18
Jer 23:6
*Ps 72:8
Lu 1:33
Re 11:15
*Isa 9:6
Lu 2:14
Col 1:20
kIsa 8:7
oMt 9:36

nIsa 14:2
Isa 33:1
Na 3:7
rGe 10:9
Ge 10:11
nIsa 14:25
Lu 1:71
tIsa 10:6
uEze 14:22
Joe 2:32
Ro 11:5
vDe 32:2
Ps 110:3
yPs 72:6
Isa 44:3
1Co 3:6
zJer 14:22
*Mic 5:7

to me the one who is to become ruler in Israel,^z whose origin^a is from early times, from the days of time indefinite.^a

3 "Therefore he will give them up^z until the time that she who is giving birth actually gives birth.^a And the rest of his brothers will return to the sons of Israel.

4 "And he will certainly stand and do shepherding in the strength of Jehovah,^o in the superiority of the name of Jehovah his God.^b And they will certainly keep dwelling,^o for now he will be great as far as the ends of the earth.^c ⁵ And this one must become peace.^a As for the Assyrian, when he comes into our land and when he treads upon our dwelling towers,^{dk} we shall also have to raise up against him seven shepherds,^o yes, eight dukes of mankind.^e ⁶ And they will actually shepherd the land of As-syr'ia with the sword,ⁿ and the land of Nim'rodⁿ in its entrances. And he will certainly bring about deliverance from the As-syr'ian,^s when he comes into our land and when he treads upon our territory.^t

7 "And the remaining ones^f of Jacob^u must become in the midst of many peoples like dew from Jehovah,^v like copious showers upon vegetation,^y that does not hope for man^g or wait for the sons of earthling man.^{hz} ⁸ And the remaining ones^f of Jacob^u must become among the nations, in the midst of many peoples, like a lion among the beasts of a forest, like a maned

^a "You." In the feminine gender, singular number. ^b "Babylon." LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c "The [true] Lord." M, ha-a-don'. LXX, ho Ky'ri-os; Vg, Do'mi-nus; Sy, Ma'ra. ^d With this verse chapter 4 ends in MLXXRahlfSy, but chapter 5 begins in LXXB-VgT. ^e "You." In the masculine gender, singular number, in M.

^a "Origin." (Brown-Driver-Briggs; Koehler-Baumgartner; Gesenius); LXX, ex'o-doi; Vg, e-gres'sus. ^b "God." M, Elo-him'. ^c Or, "land." M, er'ets. ^d Or, possibly, "our soil (ground)," in agreement with LXXSy. ^e Or, "men." M, a-dam'. ^f Or, "the remainder; the remnant." ^g "Man." M, ish. ^h "Earthling man." M, a-dam'.

young lion among droves of sheep, which, when it actually passes through, certainly both tramples down and tears in pieces;^o and there is no deliverer.^a ^o Your^a hand will be high above your adversaries,^o and all enemies of yours^a will be cut off.”

10 “And it must occur in that day,” is the utterance of Jehovah, “that I will cut off your^a horses from the midst of you and destroy your chariots.^o ¹¹ And I will cut off the cities of your^a land and tear down all your fortified places.”¹² And I will cut off sorceries out of your hand, and no practicers of magic will you continue to have.¹³ And I will cut off your graven images and your pillars from the midst of you, and you will no more bow down to the work of your hands.¹⁴ And I will uproot your sacred^o poles^{bn} from the midst of you and annihilate your cities.¹⁵ And in anger and in rage I will execute vengeance upon the nations that have not obeyed.”^r

6 Hear, please, YOU people, what Jehovah is saying.^{cs} Get up, conduct a legal case with the mountains, and may the hills hear your^a voice.^t ² Hear, O YOU mountains, the legal case of Jehovah, also you durable objects, YOU foundations of [the] earth;^u for Jehovah has a legal case with his people, and it is with Israel that he will argue:^v

3 “O my people,^y what have I done to you? And in what way have I tired you out?^z Testify against me.” ⁴ For I brought you up out of the

^a The pronoun is in the masculine gender, singular number.
^b “Sacred poles.” Or, “A.she’rahs.” ^c LXX^B reads: “HEAR, then, a word. The Lord Jehovah [Ky’rios Ky’rios] said.”

oIsa 41:15
Ob 18
Zec 10:5
ApS 50:22
oNa 1:2
oPs 21:8
Isa 26:11
Lu 19:27

oPs 20:7
Ps 33:16
Ho 1:7
Ho 14:3
Zec 9:10
Isa 2:15

Isa 2:6
Isa 8:19
Re 22:15
kIsa 17:8
Eze 36:25
Ho 14:3
oEx 34:13
nIsa 27:9

rPs 149:7
2Th 1:8

sIsa 15:16
Jer 13:15
Heb 1:1

tPs 50:7
Isa 5:3
Eze 36:1

uDe 32:22
Pr 8:29
Jer 31:37

vIsa 43:26
Jer 2:35
Jer 25:31
Ho 4:1
yPs 81:8
zJer 2:5
Isa 43:9
Ro 3:4

oEx 12:51
De 4:20
Ac 7:36
pEx 13:13
oEx 4:14
oEx 15:20
oNu 22:5
2De 7:3
2Sa 7:23
oNu 12:1
De 9:7
Eph 2:11
oNu 22:5
Jos 24:9
Nu 23:7
2Pe 2:15
Re 2:14
Nu 25:1
Nu 33:49
oGe 8:20
kJos 4:19
Jos 10:43
nJg 5:11
Ps 71:15
Ro 3:25
rPs 15:1
Joh 6:28
oMal 3:11
sPs 95:6
Eph 3:14
tIsa 15:22
Ps 51:16
Isa 40:16
uEze 16:18
v2Ki 3:27
Eze 16:20
yRo 9:20
Jas 2:20
zNe 9:13
Lu 10:42
De 10:12
Pr 21:3
Lu 11:42
oLu 6:36
Eph 4:32
oGe 5:22
Lu 18:13
Jas 4:6
oZep 3:2
Pr 22:3
Lu 1:17
oIsa 9:13
Pr 10:2
Am 3:10
Jas 5:3
Pr 11:1
Pr 20:10
Ho 12:7

land of Egypt,^o and from the house of slaves I redeemed^o you;^a and I proceeded to send before you Moses, Aaron^o and Miriam.^{oo} ⁵ O my people, remember,^t please, what Ba’lak the king of Mo’ab counseled,^o and what Ba’laam^a the son of Be’or answered him.^x From Shit’tim^a it was, all the way to Gil’gal,^k to the intent that the righteous acts of Jehovah might be known.”ⁿ

6 With what shall I confront Jehovah?^r [With what] shall I bow myself to God^b on high?^s Shall I confront him with whole burnt^o offerings,^t with calves a year old? ⁷ Will Jehovah be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of torrents of oil?^u Shall I give my first-born son for my transgression, the fruitage^o of my belly for the sin of my soul?^{cv} ⁸ He has told you, O earthing man,^y what is good.^z And what is Jehovah asking back from you but to exercise justice^r and to love kindness^{dq} and to be humble in walking with your God?^{ba}

9 To the city the very voice of Jehovah calls out,^o and [the person of] practical wisdom will fear your name.^t Hear [the] rod and who it was that designated it,^{es} O you people. ¹⁰ Do there yet exist [in] the house of a wicked one the treasures of wickedness,^x and the scrimped e’phah measure that is denounced? ¹¹ Can I be [morally] clean with wicked balances and with a bag of deceptive stone weights?¹² For her own rich men have become full of violence, and

^a Or, “the Acacia Trees.” ^b “God.” M, *El-o-him*. ^c “Soul.” M, *neph’esh*; LXX, *psy-che*; Vg, *a’ni-ma*. ^d Or, “loving-kindness”; or, “loyal love.” M, *hhes’ed*. ^e “It,” in the feminine gender and hence not referring to the aforementioned rod but, possibly, to the punishment by means of the rod.

her own inhabitants have spoken falsehood, and their tongue is tricky in their mouth.^k

13 "And I also, for my part, shall certainly make [you] sick by striking you;ⁿ there will be a desolating [of you], on account of your sins.^r 14 You, for your part, will eat and not get satisfied, and your emptiness will be in the midst of you.^{as} And you will remove [things], but you will not carry [them] safely away; and whatever you would carry away safely, I shall give to the sword itself.^t 15 You, for your part, will sow seed, but you will not reap. You, for your part, will tread olives, but you will not grease yourself with oil; also sweet wine, but you will not drink wine.^u 16 And the statutes of Om'ri^v and all the work of the house of A'hab are observed,^y and you people walk in their counsels;^z to the end that I may make you an object of astonishment and her inhabitants something to be whistled at;^a and the reproach of peoples^b you men will bear."^q

7 Too bad for me,^a for I have become like the gatherings of summertime, like the gleaning of a grape gathering!¹⁶ There is no grape cluster to eat, no early fig, that my soul^c would desire!^a The man of loving-kindness^d has perished from the earth,^e and among mankind^f there is no upright one.^g All of them, for bloodshed they lie in wait.^h They hunt, everyone his own brother,^o with a dragnet.^h 3 [Their] hands are upon what is bad, to do [it] well;^k the prince^o is ask-

^a Or, by a correction, "and there will exist no power in the midst of you." ^b "Of peoples," LXX; "of my people," M^vgSyT. ^c "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^d Or, "The man of loyal love." M, *hha-sid*. ^e Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^f Or, "earthling men." M, *a-dam*.

kIsa 1:23
Jer 5:26
Ro 3:13
nLe 26:16
De 28:21
Isa 1:5
Ac 12:23
rJer 18:16
sLe 26:26
Eze 4:16
tIsa 24:17
Eze 5:12
Lu 19:43
uDe 28:38
Jer 12:13
Joe 1:10
Am 5:11
v1KI 16:25
y1KI 16:30
z2KI 16:3
Re 2:20
zJer 7:24
Jer 18:16
Jer 19:8
qPs 44:13
Jer 51:51
La 5:1
Da 9:16
AJer 4:31
Jer 45:3
qIsa 17:6
Isa 24:13
Isa 28:4
Ho 9:10
qPs 12:1
Ps 14:1
Isa 57:1
Ro 3:10
*Pr 1:16
Isa 59:7
Ro 3:15
*Isa 24:11
Ps 57:6
Hab 1:15
kPr 4:16
Jer 3:5
Eze 22:6
qHag 2:22
cGe 12:15

ing [for something], and the one who is judging [does so] for the reward,ⁿ and the great one^r is speaking forth the craving of his soul,^a his very own; and they interweave it. 4 Their best one is like a brier, [their] most upright one is worse than a thorn hedge.^a The day of your watchmen, [of] your being given attention, must come.^t Now will occur the confounding of them.^u

5 Do not put your faith^o in a companion. Do not put your trust in a confidential friend.^v From her who is lying in your bosom guard the openings of your mouth.^y 6 For a son is despising a father; a daughter is rising up against her mother;^z a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;^a a man's enemies are the men^b of his household.^q

7 But as for me, it is for Jehovah that I shall keep on the lookout.^a I will show a waiting attitude for the God^c of my salvation.^o My God^e will hear me.^f

8 Do not rejoice over me, O you woman enemy of mine.^g Although I have fallen, I shall certainly rise up;^h although I dwell in the darkness,ⁱ Jehovah will be a light to me.^k 9 The raging of Jehovah I shall bear—for I have sinned against himⁿ—until he conducts my legal case and actually executes justice for me.^r He will bring me forth to the light; I shall look upon his righteousness.^s 10 And my enemy will see, and shame will cover her,^t who was saying to me: "Where is he, Jehovah your God?"^{cu} My own eyes will look upon her.^v Now she will become

nIsa 1:23
Ho 4:18
Mic 3:11
r1KI 21:4
s2Sa 23:6
Eze 2:6
Heb 6:8
tIsa 10:3
Eze 12:23
Ho 9:7
uIsa 22:5
Lu 21:25
vJob 6:15
Ps 118:8
Jer 9:4
cMt 9:29
yJg 16:18
zPr 30:11
Eze 22:7
Mt 10:21
Lu 21:16
*Lu 12:53
2Ti 3:2
qZec 13:3
qPs 41:9
Jer 12:6
Ob 7
Joh 13:18
qPs 34:5
qIsa 12:2
Lu 2:25
*Ps 4:3
Jo 5:14
qEze 25:6
Re 11:10
*Ps 37:24
Pr 24:16
*Ps 107:10
kPs 27:1
Lu 1:78
2Co 4:6
nLa 1:18
Lu 15:18
Heb 12:6
rIsa 24:15
Re 6:10
Re 18:20
*Ps 37:6
1Co 4:5
2Th 1:10
tIsa 47:5
Na 3:5
Re 17:1
uPs 42:3
Da 3:15
Mt 27:43
vPs 58:10
Mal 1:5

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^b "Men." M, *and-shim*; the plural number of *ish*, which is earlier rendered "a man's" in this sentence. ^c "God." M, *El-o-him*.

a place of trampling, like the mire of streets.^y

11 The day for building your^a stone walls, at that day [the] decree^b will be far away.^z 12 At that day even all the way to you they^c will come from Ass-yr'i-a and the cities of Egypt,^d and from Egypt even all the way to [the] river; and from sea to sea, and [from] mountain to the mountain.^e 13 And the land must become a desolate waste on account of its inhabitants, because of the fruit of their dealings.^f

14 Shepherd your^e people with your staff,^g the flock of your inheritance, the one who was residing alone in a forest—in the midst of an orchard.^h Let them feed on Ba'shan and Gil'e-adⁱ as in the days of a long time ago.^j

15 "As in the days of your coming forth from the land of Egypt I shall show him wonderful things.^k 16 Nations will see and become ashamed because of all their mightiness.^l They will put [their] hand upon [their] mouth;^k their very ears will become deaf.¹⁷ They will lick up dust like the serpents;¹⁸ like reptiles of [the] earth they will come in agitation out of their bulwarks.¹⁹ To Jehovah our God²⁰ they will come trembling, and they will be afraid of you."^{es}

18 Who is a God²¹ like you,^t one pardoning error and passing over transgression²² of the remnant of his inheritance?^v He will certainly not hold onto his anger forever, for he is delighting in loving-kindness.^{hy} 19 He will again show us mercy;^z he will subject our errors.²³

^a The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number. ^b Or, "prescribed limit." ^c "They," LXXBA; "he," or, "one," MVGySy. ^d "Egypt." M, *Ma.tor*. ^e The pronoun is in the masculine gender, singular number. ^f "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^g "God." M, *El*; LXX, *Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^h Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*.

y2Sa 22:43
Mal 4:3

zNe 2:17
Da 9:25

*Isa 11:16
Jer 31:8
Ho 11:11
Le 26:33
Jer 25:11
Lu 21:24
Ps 23:1
Isa 40:11
Joh 10:27
Nu 23:9
Isa 37:24
Jer 50:19
Eze 34:23

La 1:7
Mal 3:4
Ps 78:12
Isa 63:11
Jer 23:7
Ps 126:2
Isa 26:11
Isa 66:18
Eze 38:23
kJob 28:9
Isa 52:15
nPs 72:9
Isa 49:23
rPs 18:45
sJos 2:8
Ps 9:20
cGe 3:1

tEx 15:11
Ps 35:10
Isa 40:18
uEx 34:7
Ps 86:5
Isa 44:22
cMal 2:10
Ro 4:15
vJer 23:3
Joe 2:32
Ro 9:27
Re 12:17
yPs 103:9
Isa 57:16
zEph 2:4
cZec 1:12
Ps 130:8

oPs 103:12
Jer 50:20
pAc 2:27
cMt 3:9
dGe 22:17
Lu 1:55
Ac 3:25
Heb 6:13

And you will throw into the depths of [the] sea all their^a sins.²⁰ You will give trueness belonging to Jacob, loving-kindness²¹ belonging to Abraham,^c which you swore to our forefathers from the days of long ago.^d

^a "Their," M; "our," LXXVgSy; "Israel's," T. ^b Or, "loyal love." M, *hhes'ed*.

NAHUM^a

*Jon 3:4
Zep 2:13

1 The pronouncement against Nin'e-veh:^{*} The book of the vision of Na'hum^a the El'kosh-ite:^b

oEx 20:5
De 4:24
dDe 32:35
Ro 12:19
Ro 13:4
cDe 32:41
dPs 81:14
Isa 59:18
rRo 2:5
2Pe 2:9

2 Jehovah is a God^c exacting exclusive devotion^d and taking vengeance; Jehovah is taking vengeance and is disposed to rage.^{da} Jehovah is taking vengeance against his adversaries,^{eo} and he is resentful toward his enemies.^f

oJob 9:4
Ps 62:11
Eph 1:19
Ex 34:7
Ho 4:9
Am 3:2
Ex 19:16
Job 38:1
Hab 3:5
kJob 38:11
Ps 104:7
Mt 8:26
nJos 3:16
Isa 19:5
rIsa 33:9
Am 1:2

3 Jehovah is slow to anger and great in power,^g and by no means will Jehovah hold back from punishing.^h

In destructive wind and in storm is his way, and the cloud mass is the powder of his feet.ⁱ

4 He is rebuking the sea,^k and he dries it up; and all the rivers he actually makes run dry.ⁿ

Ba'shan and Car'mel have withered, and the very blossom of Leb'a-non has withered.^r

5 Mountains themselves have quaked because of him, and the very hills found themselves melting.^s

And the earth will be upheaved because of his

*2Sa 22:8
Ps 68:8
Ps 97:5
Heb 12:26

^a Meaning "Comfort; Comforter." ^b "The El'kosh-ite." Or, "of El'kosh." The site of El'kosh is unknown; in the territory of the tribe of Simeon, according to Epiphanius ("Concerning the Lives of the Prophets"); in Galilee, according to Jerome. ^c "God." M, *El*; LXX, *Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^d "Disposed to rage." Literally, "a master (lord, ba'al) of rage," M.

face; the productive land^a also, and all those dwelling in it.^t

6 In the face of his denunciation who can stand?^u And who can rise up against the heat of his anger?^v

His own rage will certainly be poured out like fire,^v and the very rocks^b will actually be pulled down because of him.

7 Jehovah is good,^z a stronghold^{*} in the day of distress.^q

And he is cognizant of those seeking refuge in him.^a

8 And by the flood that is passing along he will make an outright extermination of her^c place,^o and darkness^o will pursue his very enemies.^{*}

9 What will you men think up against Jehovah?^e He is causing an outright extermination. Distress will not rise up a second time.

10 Although they are being interwoven even as thorns and they are drunken as with their wheat beer,^d they will certainly be devoured like stubble fully dry.^{e#}

tPs 46:2
Isa 24:1

uJer 10:10
Re 6:17
vDe 32:22
Re 16:1

yRe 16:8

zPs 25:8
Ps 136:1
Mt 19:17
*Ps 18:2
Isa 25:4
oPs 50:15
Ps 86:7
APs 1:6

2Ti 2:19
oIsa 28:17
Eze 13:13
Da 9:26
oMt 4:16
*Isa 8:22
Jer 13:16
Zep 1:15
oPs 2:1
Ps 21:11
Isa 8:10
Ac 4:25

*Eze 2:6
Mic 7:4
*Mal 4:1

11 Out of you^a there will actually go forth one who is thinking up against Jehovah what is bad,^k counseling what is not worth-while.^{bn}

12 This is what Jehovah has said: "Although they were in complete form and there were many thus, even in that state they must be cut down;^r and one must pass through. And I shall certainly afflict you,^a so that I shall not afflict you^a any more.^{s 13} And now I shall break his carrying bar from upon you,^{at} and the bands upon you I shall tear in two.^{u 14} And concerning you^c Jehovah has commanded, 'Nothing of your^c name will be sown any more.^v Out of the house of your^c gods^{do} I shall cut off carved image and molten statue.^v I shall make a burial place for you,^z because you have been of no account.'^e

15 "Look! Upon the mountains the feet of one bringing good news,^f one making peace to be heard.^{*} O Judah, celebrate your festivals.^q Pay your vows;^{oA} because no more will any worthless person^g pass again through you.^o In his entirety he will certainly be cut off."^h

2 One that does a scattering has come up before your^d face.^o Let there be a safeguarding of the fortified place. Watch [the] way. Strengthen [the] hips. Reinforce power very much.^{*}

2 For Jehovah will certainly gather the pride of Jacob,^{*} like the pride of Israel, be-

k2Ch 32:10
Isa 10:7
n2Sa 20:1

r2Ki 19:35
Isa 14:25
Isa 37:36

sIsa 51:22
Isa 60:18
Joe 2:19
tIsa 9:4
Isa 14:25
uPs 107:14
vPs 109:13
Pr 10:7
Isa 14:20
oMt 6:24

yEx 34:13
Le 26:30
Isa 19:1
z2Ch 32:21
*Isa 52:7
Lu 2:10
Ro 10:15
oDe 16:16
Ne 10:33
oGe 28:20
APs 116:14
oIsa 52:1

*Ps 109:13
Zec 14:12
Mt 25:46

oJer 49:32
Eze 29:12

*Isa 8:9
Jer 46:3
Joe 3:9

*Ps 47:4
Am 8:7

^a "The productive land." M, *te.bēl'*; LXX, "the whole [earth]"; Vg, *orbis* ("the [terrestrial] circle"). ^b "Rocks." M, *tsu-rim'*; LXX, *pe'trai*; Vg, *pe'trae*; Sy, *tu'rē*. ^c "Her"; that is, of the city Nin'evēh. ^d Or, "their liquor." ^e According to some, most of the first chapter of Nahum's prophecy is a poem, the lines of which begin with the different letters of the Hebrew alphabet in their proper order. The poem is not complete; it goes only as far as verse 8 or verse 10 and thus covers over half of the alphabet. R. Kittel's Hebrew text begins the poem in verse 2, with a larger, heavier letter *aleph* (א), but the second line of which verse begins with an enlarged letter *nun* (נ). The first line of verse 3 begins with the divine name or tetragrammaton, and the second line of this verse with an enlarged *beth* (ב). The succeeding twelve lines, down to the end of verse 10, have the initial letters in alphabetic order, with *mem* (מ), however, ahead of *lamed* (ל), and *nun* (נ) missing because of already appearing in verse 2.

^a The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number. ^b "What is not worth-while." M, *b'liy-ya'al*; literally, "Be'li.al." ^c The pronoun is in the masculine gender, singular number. ^d Or, "god." M, *elo.him'*; LXX, *the.os'*; Vg, *de'us*. ^e With this verse 14 chapter 1 ends in MSy. ^f "One bringing good news." M, *m'bas-ser'*; LXXVg, "evangelizer." ^g "Any worthless person." M, *b'liy-ya'al*; literally, "Be'li.al." ^h With this verse chapter 1 ends in LXXVgT. ⁱ The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to Nin'evēh.

cause those emptying out have emptied them out; and the shoots of them they have ruined.^k

3 The shield^o of his mighty men is dyed red; [his] men^a of vital energy are dressed in crimson stuff.ⁿ With the fire of iron [fittings] is the war chariot in the day of his getting ready, and the juniper tree [spears]^b have been made to quiver.^r ⁴In the streets the war chariots keep driving madly.^s They keep rushing up and down in the public squares. Their appearances are like torches. Like the lightnings they keep running.

5 He will remember his majestic ones.^t They will stumble in their walking.^u They will hasten to her wall,^v and the barricade will have to be firmly established. ⁶The very gates of the rivers^o will certainly be opened, and the palace itself will actually be dissolved.^v ⁷And it has been fixed; she has been uncovered;^z she will certainly be carried away,^{*} and her slave^o girls will be moaning, like the sound of doves,^z beating^a repeatedly upon their hearts. ⁸And Nin'e-veh, from the days [that] she [has been],^o was like a pool of waters;^{*} but they are fleeing. "Stand still, you men!"^c Stand still!"^o But there is no one turning back.^{*}

9 Plunder silver, you men; plunder gold;^{*} as there is no limit to the [things in] arrangement. There is a heavy amount of all sorts of desirable articles.^k

10 Emptiness and voidness, and [a city] laid waste!ⁿ And the heart is melting,^r and there is a tottering of [the] knees,^s and severe pains are in all hips;^t and as for the faces of all of them, they have collected a glow [of excitement].^u

^a "Men." M, *a.nā.shim'*. ^b Literally, "juniper trees," M; as a figure of speech for spear shafts. ^c Or, "you waters!"

kGe 49:22
2Kl 17:6
Ho 10:1
cGe 15:1

nIsa 63:2

rIsa 14:8
Zec 11:2

sIsa 37:24
Eze 26:10
Da 11:40

tPs 136:18

uJer 46:12

vJoe 2:7

oZec 9:10
y2Pe 3:10

zRe 17:16
Isa 20:4

Jer 29:1
Ac 7:43

OMt 26:69
Isa 38:14

Isa 59:11
ALu 23:27

cGe 10:11

*Jer 51:13
Re 17:15

oIsa 47:12

*Jer 50:16

*Isa 33:1
Eze 26:12

k2Ch 36:10
Re 18:12

nIsa 24:1
Jer 4:23

Zep 2:13
Re 18:22

rJos 2:11
Ps 22:14

Isa 13:7
sDa 5:6

tIsa 21:3
uJoe 2:6

¹¹ Where is the lair of lions, and the cave^a that belongs to the maned young lions, where the lion walked and entered,^{bv} where the lion's whelp was, and no one was making [them] tremble?^y ¹² [The] lion was tearing to pieces enough for his whelps, and was strangling for his lionesses. And he kept his holes filled with prey and his hiding places with animals torn to pieces.^z

13 "Look! I am against you,"^c is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^d "and I will burn up her^e war chariot in the smoke.^z And a sword will devour your^c own maned young lions.^a And I will cut off from the earth your^c prey, and no more will the voice of your messengers be heard."^o

3 Woe to the city of bloodshed.^f She is all full of lying [and] of robbery.^g Prey does not depart! ² There is the sound of [the] whip, and the sound of the rattling of [the] wheel, and the dashing horse and the leaping chariot.^h ³ The mounted horseman, and the flame of [the] sword, and the lightning of [the] spear,ⁱ and the multitude of slain ones, and the heavy mass of carcasses;^o and there is no end to the dead bodies. They keep stumbling among their dead bodies.^k

4 Owing to the abundance of the acts of prostitution of the prostitute,ⁿ good in charm, a

vJer 2:15
Jer 50:17

yIsa 31:4
1Pe 5:8

zPs 17:12
Isa 10:6

*Jer 21:13
Jer 51:25

Eze 5:8
oJos 11:9

2Kl 19:23
Ps 46:9

aIsa 31:8

o2Kl 18:17
2Kl 19:35

*Eze 22:2
Eze 24:6

oHo 7:1
Mic 6:12

*Jg 5:22

*Hab 3:11

cGe 15:11

kIsa 37:36
Eze 39:4

nIsa 23:15
Re 17:1

^a "Cave," by a transposition of two letters; literally, "pasture"; or, "pasturage," M. ^b "And entered"; or, "in order to enter"; by a slight correction. Literally, "a lion [*la.bi'*]," M; an Asian lion.

^c The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the city of Nin'e-veh. ^d "Jehovah of armies," MVgT; "Jehovah almighty," LXX. ^e "Her," M; "your," LXXVgSyT. ^f Literally, "bloods," M.

mistress of sorceries, she who is ensnaring nations by her acts of prostitution and families by her sorceries,^r ^s "look! I am against you,"^{as} is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^b "and I will uncover your skirts over your face, and I will cause nations to see your nakedness,^t and kingdoms your dishonor. ^q And I will throw disgusting things upon you,^u and I will make you despicable,^v and I will set you as a spectacle.^y ^r And it must occur that everyone seeing you will flee away from you^z and will certainly say, 'Nin'e-veh has been despoiled! Who will sympathize with her?'^z From where shall I seek comforters for you?^z ^s Are you better than No-a'mon,^a that was sitting by the Nile canals?^q Waters were all around her, whose wealth was [the] sea, whose wall was from [the] sea. ^q E-thi-o'pi-a^c was her full might, also Egypt,^q and that without limit. Put and the Lib'y-ans^d themselves proved to be of help to you.^q ¹⁰ She, too, was meant for exile; she went into captivity.^k Her own children also came to be dashed to pieces at the head of all the streets;^k and over her glorified^o men they cast lots,^k and her great ones have all been bound with fetters.ⁿ ¹¹ You^a yourself will also become drunk;^r you will become something hidden.^s You yourself also will seek a stronghold from [the] enemy.^t ¹² All your^a fortified places are as fig trees with the first^o ripe fruits, which, if they get wiggled, will certainly fall into the mouth of an eater.^u

13 "Look! Your people are women in the

^a The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the city of Nin'e-veh. ^b "Jehovah of armies," MVGT; "Jehovah God the Almighty," LXX. ^c "E-thi-o'pi-a," LXXVg; "Cush," MSyT. ^d "The Lib'y-ans," M, *Lu-bim'*. ^e "You," MVGT; "her," LXX.

rIsa 47:8
Re 18:3
sEze 23:25

tIsa 47:2
Jer 13:22
Eze 16:37
Re 17:16
uMal 2:3
vMal 2:9

y1Ki 9:7
Zep 2:15
Jude 7
zNu 16:34
Jer 51:9
Re 18:10
*Isa 51:19
Jer 15:5
oLa 2:13
qJer 46:25
Eze 30:14
qIsa 19:6

qZec 14:18
*Isa 20:5

qGe 10:6
Jer 46:9
Eze 27:10
Ac 2:10
*Isa 20:4
*Ps 137:9
Isa 13:16
Ho 10:14
qGe 34:19
kJoe 3:3

Ob 11
nPs 149:8
Re 20:2
rPs 75:8
Jer 25:15
sAm 9:3
Lu 23:30
Re 6:15
tJer 4:5
Jer 8:14
oRo 8:23
uHo 9:10
Re 6:13

vIsa 19:16
Jer 50:37

yPs 107:16
Isa 45:2
z2Ch 32:3
Isa 22:9
*Isa 8:9
Jer 46:3
Joe 3:9
qZep 2:13
Re 18:18

*Ex 10:14
Joe 1:4
*Ex 10:4
sGe 1:16
pMal 3:10
qGe 15:5
Ne 9:23
Jer 33:22

*Re 9:7

sPs 109:23

*Ps 76:5
Isa 56:10
qZec 10:10
*Jer 50:18
Eze 32:22
kEx 15:16
Jer 51:30
n1Ki 22:17
Re 6:15

rJer 30:12
Jer 46:11
sIsa 14:8
Zep 2:15
Re 18:20
tIsa 10:8
Isa 37:18

^a "Locust species." M, *yel'eq*; of disputed meaning. ^b "Locust." M, *ar.bek*; understood to be the migratory locust in the fully developed, winged stage. ^c "Locust swarm." M, *go.bai*; collectively, so called because of their swarming.

midst of you.^v To your enemies the gates of your land must without fail be opened. Fire will certainly devour your bars.^y ¹⁴ Water for a siege draw out for yourself.^z Strengthen your fortified places.^z Get into the mire, and trample down in the clay. Grab hold of [the] brick mold. ¹⁵ Even there fire will devour you.^z A sword will cut you off. It will devour you like the locust species.^a Make yourself heavy in numbers like the locust species;^a make yourself heavy in numbers like the locust.^b ¹⁶ You have multiplied your tradesmen more than the stars^o of the heavens.^o

"The locust species^a itself certainly strips off its skin; then it flies away. ¹⁷ Your guardsmen are like the locust,^b and your recruiting officers like the locust swarm.^c They are camping in the stone pens in a cold day. The sun itself has but to shine forth, and away they certainly flee; and their place is really unknown where they are.^o

18 "Your shepherds have become drowsy,^k O king of As-syr'i-a;^q your majestic ones stay in their residences.^k Your people have been scattered upon the mountains, and there is no one collecting [them] together.ⁿ ¹⁹ There is no relief for your catastrophe. Your stroke has become unhealable.^r All those hearing the report about you will certainly clap their hands at you;^s because upon whom was it that your badness did not pass over constantly?"^t

HABAKKUK^a

1 The pronouncement that Ha-bak'kuk^a the prophet visioned:^{*} ² How long, O Jehovah, must I cry for help, and you do not hear?[□] [How long] shall I call to you for aid from violence, and you do not save?[△] ³ Why is it that you make me see what is hurtful, and you keep looking upon mere trouble? And [why] are rapacity and violence in front of me, and [why] does contention occur, and [why] is strife carried?[□]

4 Therefore law grows numb, and justice[□] never goes forth.^{*} Because the wicked[□] one is surrounding the righteous one, for that reason justice goes forth crooked.[□]

5 "See, you people, among the nations, and look on, and stare in amazement at one another.^{*} Be amazed; for there is an activity that one is carrying on^b in your days, [which] you people will not put faith[□] in although it is related.^{*} ⁶ For here I am raising up the Chal-de'ans, the nation bitter and impetuous, which is going to the wide-open places of earth in order to take possession of residences not belonging to it.^k ⁷ Frightful and fear-inspiring it is. From itself its own justice and its own dignity go forth.ⁿ ⁸ And its horses have proved swifter than leopards, and they have proved fiercer than evening wolves.^r And its steeds have pawed the ground, and from far away its own steeds^c come. They fly like the eagle[□] speeding to eat [something].^s ⁹ In its entirety it comes for mere violence.^t The assem-

^a Meaning "Embrace"; that is, of love. ^b "One is carrying on," M; "I am carrying on," LXXSy. ^c Or, "horsemen."

*Na 1:1
□Ps 13:1
Ps 74:9
Re 6:10
△Ps 22:1
Jer 14:9
Lu 18:7
□Ps 55:9
Ec 4:1
Ec 5:8
Mt 10:16
2Pe 2:8
□Mal 4:4
□Mal 4:3
*Job 12:6
Ps 12:8
Mt 23:23
□Fr 29:2
Isa 1:21
Mt 26:59
Ac 7:52
Ac 23:12
*La 4:12
□Mt 24:23
*Isa 28:21
Isa 29:14
Ac 13:41
kDe 28:49
Jer 5:15
Jer 6:22
nJer 39:5
Jer 52:9
Da 5:19
rJer 5:6
Zep 3:3
sJer 4:13
La 4:19
Eze 17:3
Ho 8:1
□Ge 50:9
□Mt 24:28
tDe 28:51
Jer 25:9

uIsa 27:8
Eze 17:10

v2Ki 24:12
2Ch 36:6
yJer 32:24
Jer 52:7

zIsa 47:6
Jer 51:24
Zec 1:15
*Da 5:4
□Ps 90:2
Ps 93:2
Re 1:8
△1Ti 1:17

bling of their faces is as [the] east wind,^{au} and it gathers up captives just like the sand.¹⁰ And for its part, it derides kings themselves, and high officials are something laughable to it.^v For its part, it laughs even at every fortified place,^y and it piles up dust and captures it.¹¹ At that time it will certainly move onward [like] wind^b and will pass through and will actually become guilty.^z This its power is due to its god.^{*c}

12 Are you not from long ago, O Jehovah?[□] O my God,^d my Holy One, you do not die.^e O

^a "As [the] east wind," T and Habakkuk Commentary of the Dead Sea Scrolls discovered in 1947; "to the east," M; "as a burning wind," Vg. ^b "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *to pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c "God." M, *elo'ah*; LXX, *ho theos*; Vg, *de'us*. ^d "God." *Elo.kim*. ^e "You do not die." This is where one of the Eighteen Emendations of the Sopherim, or *tiggunei sopherim*, occurred. M reads: "We shall not die." Says *Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible*, by C. D. Ginsburg (1897), on page 358: "All the ancient records emphatically state that this exhibits the corrected text by the Sopherim and that the original reading was: 'Art thou not from everlasting? O Lord my God, mine Holy One, thou diest not.' The parallelism plainly shows that this is the correct reading. The address in both clauses is to the Lord who is described in the first clause as being from everlasting and in the second clause as never dying or enduring for ever. The introduction, therefore, of a new subject in the plural with the predicate 'we shall not die' thus ascribing immortality to the people is contrary to the scope of the passage. Not only has the Chaldee preserved the original reading by paraphrasing it 'thy word endureth for ever', but Rashi (1040-1105) makes it the basis of his explanation. 'The prophet says why art thou silent to all this. Art thou not from everlasting my God, mine Holy One, who diest not.' It is very remarkable that the [English] Revised Version [of 1885] which has not noticed any other of the alterations of the Sopherim has the following note in the margin on this passage: 'according to an ancient Jewish tradition *thou diest not*'. The reason for the alteration is not far to seek. It was considered offensive to predicate of the Lord 'thou diest not'. Hence 'we shall not die' was substituted."

T, "your word [*meim'ra*] will stand [endure] to times indefinite." See Genesis 18: 22, footnote a.

Jehovah, for a judgment you have set it; and, O Rock,^c for a reproving you have founded it.*

13 You are too pure in eyes to see what is bad; and to look on trouble you are not able.^b Why is it that you look on those dealing treacherously,^x that you keep silent when someone wicked swallows up someone more righteous than he is?¹⁴ And [why] do you make earthling man like the fishes of the sea, like creeping things over whom no one is ruling?^{k 15} All these he has brought up with a mere fishhook;ⁿ he drags them away in his dragnet, and he gathers them in his fishing net.^r That is why he rejoices and is joyful.^{s 16} That is why he offers sacrifice to his dragnet and makes sacrificial smoke to his fishing net; for by them his portion is well oiled, and his food is healthful.^{at 17} Is that why he will empty out his dragnet, and does he have to kill nations constantly, while he shows no compassion?^u

2 At my guard post I will keep standing, and I will keep myself stationed upon [the] bulwark;^b and I shall keep watch,^v to see what he will speak by^c me^v and what I shall reply at the reproof of me.^z

2 And Jehovah proceeded to answer me and to say: "Write down [the] vision,^o and set [it] out plainly upon tablets,^e in order that the one reading aloud from it may do so fluently.^{d 3} For [the] vision is yet for the appointed^p time,^a and it keeps panting on to the end,^{eo} and it will not tell a lie. Even if it should delay, keep in

* Or, "fat." ^b "Bulwark." M; "rock [pe'tra]," LXX; "fortification." Vg; ke'pha ["rock"], Sy. ^c Or, "with," or, "to." ^d Literally, "may run," M. ^e Or, by a slight correction, "it is a disclosure for the end."

De 32:4
Isa 2:2
Ps 18:2
Jer 10:24
Jer 30:11
Heb 12:5
Ps 5:4
1Pe 1:15
Jer 12:1

Ps 35:22
Ps 37:13
Ps 50:21

kPr 6:7

nMt 17:27

rPs 10:9
Lu 5:5
Joh 21:6
sJer 50:11

tDe 8:17
Da 4:30

u2Ch 36:17
Isa 14:17
v2Sa 18:25

2Kl 9:17
Isa 21:8
Isa 62:6

yPs 85:8
2Co 13:3
Ga 1:16

zJob 23:5
Ex 17:14
De 27:8
Isa 8:1
Re 21:5

oMt 17:9

Ex 24:12

Ac 13:15

pGe 17:21

mt 10:22

Da 8:19

Da 10:14

Ac 17:26

2Th 2:6

expectation of it; for it will without fail come true.^o It will not be late.

4 "Look! His soul^a has been swelled up; it has not been upright within him.^b But as for the righteous one, by his faithfulness he will keep living.^c And, indeed, because the wine is dealing treacherously,^x an able-bodied man is self-assuming;^u and he will not reach his goal,^k he who has made his soul^a spacious just like She'ol,^c and who is like death and cannot be satisfied.ⁿ And he keeps gathering to himself all the nations and collecting together to himself all the peoples.^r Will not these very ones, all of them, lift up against him a proverbial saying and an alluding remark, insinuations at him?^s And one will say,

"Woe to the one that is multiplying what is not his own^t—O how long!^u—and that is making debt heavy against himself!^v Will not those claiming interest of you rise up suddenly, and those wake up who are violently shaking you, and you certainly become to them something to pillage?^y Because you yourself despoiled many nations, all the remaining ones of [the] peoples will despoil you,^z because of the shedding of blood of mankind^d and the violence to [the] earth, [the] town and all those dwelling in it."

9 "Woe to the one that is making evil gain for his house,² in order to set his nest on the height, so as to be delivered from the grasp^e of what is calamitous!^{a 10} You have counseled

Mic 7:7
Jas 5:7
Da 5:20
Lu 18:14
2Th 2:4
Joh 3:36
Ro 1:17
2Co 5:7
Heb 10:38
Pr 20:1
Jer 51:39
2Kl 14:10
Pr 21:24
kPr 11:2
Pr 16:18
Ge 37:35

nPr 27:20
Ec 5:10

rIsa 14:17

sIsa 14:4
Mic 2:4

tPr 22:16
Jas 5:4
uPs 94:3
vMt 6:34
Lu 12:17

yPr 29:1
Jer 51:11

zIsa 33:1
Jer 27:7
Zec 2:9

*Ps 137:8
Re 6:10
Re 18:24

2Kl 21:2
Jer 22:13
Jude 11

ΔPs 10:3
Pr 49:11
Pr 18:11
Ob 4

^a "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chē*; Vg, *a-ni-ma*. ^b LXX reads: "If anyone shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him." ^c MT, *sh'ol*; LXX, *ho Hai'des*; Vg, *in-fer-nus*; Sy, *shi-ūl*. ^d Or, "men." M, *a-dam*. ^e Literally, "palm." M, *kaph*.

something shameful to your house, the cutting off of many peoples;⁵ and your soul^a is sinning.⁶
 11 For out of [the] wall a stone itself will cry out plaintively, and from the woodwork a rafter^b itself will answer it.⁶

12 "Woe to the one that is building a city by bloodshed,^c and that has solidly established a town by unrighteousness!"¹³ Look! Is it not from Jehovah of armies^d that peoples will toil on only for the fire, and that national groups will tire themselves out merely for nothing?¹⁴ For the earth will be filled with the knowing of the glory of Jehovah^e as the waters themselves cover over [the] sea.^k

15 "Woe to the one giving his companions^o something to drink, attaching [to it] your rage^f and anger, in order to make [them] drunk,ⁿ for the purpose of looking upon their parts of shame.^r 16 You will certainly be satiated with dishonor instead of glory.^s Drink also, you yourself,^t and be considered uncircumcised.^u The cup of the right hand of Jehovah will come around to you,^v and there will be disgrace upon your glory;¹⁷ because the violence [done] to Leb'anon^y is what will cover you, and the rapacity upon [the] beasts will terrify them, because of the shedding of blood of mankind^z and the violence [done] to [the] earth,² the town and all those dwelling in it.¹⁸ Of what benefit has a carved image⁶ been, when the former of it has

^a "Soul." M, *neph'es'h*; LXX, *psy.chē*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*. ^b Or, possibly, "the stucco-work." ^c Literally, "bloods." M. ^d "Jehovah of armies." MVGT; "Jehovah almighty," LXX. ^e "Glory of Jehovah." See Appendix, page 423. ^f "Attaching [to it] your rage," M. But by omitting the possible dittography of the letter *heth* from M, the phrase would read: "from the bowl [or, goblet] of your rage." ^g Or, "men." M, *a-dam*.

⁵ Isa 14:20
⁶ Nu 16:38
¹ K1 2:23
⁸ Pr 8:36

⁶ Ge 4:10
¹ Lu 19:40
⁵ Jas 5:4

¹ Eze 24:9
¹ Na 3:1
¹ Re 17:6

¹ Pr 21:30
¹ Isa 50:11
¹ Jer 51:58
¹ kPs 72:19
¹ Isa 6:3
¹ Isa 11:9
¹ Zec 14:9
¹ Re 15:4
¹ Mt 20:13

¹ nSa 11:13
¹ 2Sa 13:28
¹ Re 17:2
¹ Re 18:3
¹ rGe 9:22
¹ Eze 22:10
¹ sHo 4:7
¹ Pph 3:19
¹ tPs 75:8
¹ Isa 51:22
¹ Jer 51:57
¹ Re 18:7
¹ uEze 28:10
¹ Eze 32:19
¹ vJer 25:28
¹ yZec 11:1

¹ zPs 137:8
¹ Pr 28:17
¹ Re 18:24
¹ *Jer 50:28
¹ Jer 51:24
¹ 6Ex 20:4

¹ OIsa 37:38
¹ Isa 42:17
¹ Jer 2:28
¹ 1Co 8:4
¹ AJon 2:8
¹ Zec 10:2
¹ Ro 1:21

¹ 6Ps 115:8
¹ Isa 44:15
¹ *Jer 10:5
¹ 1Co 12:2

¹ 6Ps 97:7
¹ Isa 37:19
¹ Da 3:29
¹ *Isa 40:19
¹ Isa 46:6
¹ Ac 17:29

¹ *Ps 135:17
¹ kPs 11:4
¹ Ps 115:3
¹ Eph 2:21

¹ Mt 6:44
¹ nPa 76:8
¹ Zep 1:7
¹ Zec 2:13
¹ rEx 9:20
¹ Isa 53:1
¹ Ro 10:16

¹ sHeb 11:7
¹ Re 15:4
¹ tEx 32:13
¹ Jer 31:20
¹ La 3:32

¹ uDe 33:3
¹ 6Mt 6:24
¹ vPs 68:7
¹ yEx 19:16

¹ Pa 18:13
¹ Heb 12:18
¹ zPs 148:13
¹ Pa 150:6
¹ Isa 6:3

¹ 6Zep 3:19
¹ *Ex 13:21
¹ Pa 104:2
¹ Isa 60:20
¹ Re 22:5

carved it, a molten statue,^o and an instructor in falsehood?^a when the former of its form has trusted in it,^b to the extent of making worthless gods^a that are speechless?^c

19 "Woe to the one saying to the piece of wood: "O do awake!" to a dumb stone: "O wake up! It itself will give instruction!"¹⁰ Look! It is sheathed in gold and silver,^e and there is no breath^b at all in the midst of it.²⁰ But Jehovah is in his holy temple.^k Keep silence before him, all the earth!"¹¹

3 The prayer^o of Ha-bak'kuk the prophet in dirges:^c 2 O Jehovah, I have heard the report about you.^r I have become afraid, O Jehovah, of your activity.^s

In the midst of [the] years O bring it to life! In the midst of [the] years may you make it known. During the agitation, to show mercy may you remember.^t

3 God⁶ himself proceeded to come from Te'-man,^o even a Holy One from Mount Pa'ran.^u *Se'lah.*^{tv}

His dignity covered [the] heavens;^y and with his praise^o the earth became filled.^z

4 As for [his]^z brightness, it got to be just like the light.^{*} He had two rays^h [issuing] out

^a "Worthless gods." M, *eli.lim*; LXX, "idols." ^b "Breath." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c "Dirges." M, *shi.g'yo-nōth*; see Psalm 7: superscription. LXX, "a song"; Vg, "the ignorant acts," or, "ignorances." ^d "God." M, *Elo'ah*; the plural number of which is *Elo'him*. LXX, *ho The-os*; Vg, *De'us*. See Deuteronomy 32:15, footnote g; 17, footnote b. ^e "Te'man." Or, "the south"; as in Exodus 26:18, 35. LXX, *Thai-man*; Vg, "the south." ^f "Se'lah." LXX, *di.a'psalma*; or, "musical interlude." See Psalm 3:2, 4, footnote f. The word occurs three times in this prayer of Ha-bak'kuk. ^g "His," LXXVgSy; not found in M. ^h Literally, "horns." Compare Exodus 34:29, 30, 35.

of his hand, and there the hiding of his strength was.^q

5 Before him pestilence kept going,^a and burning fever would go forth at his feet.^q

6 He stood still, that he might shake up [the] earth.^r He saw, and then caused nations to leap.^r

And the eternal mountains^k got to be smashed; the indefinitely lasting hills bowed down.ⁿ The walkings of long ago are his.

7 Under what is hurtful I saw the tents of Cu'shan.^a The tent cloths of the land of Mid'ian^r began to be agitated.^a

8 Is it against the rivers, O Jehovah, is it against the rivers that your anger has become hot,^t or is your fury against the sea?^u For you went riding upon your horses;^v your chariots^c were salvation.^o

9 In [its] nakedness your bow^p comes to be uncovered.^z The sworn oaths of [the] tribes are the thing said.^k *Se'lah*. With rivers you proceeded to split [the] earth.^{*}

10 Mountains saw you; they got to be in severe pains.^c A thunderstorm of waters passed through. Surging waters^b gave forth their sound.^a On high their hands they lifted up.

11 Sun^o—moon^o—stood still,^q in the lofty abode thereof.^{*} Like light your own arrows kept going.^m The lightning of your spear served for brightness.^q

12 With denunciation you went marching [through] the earth. In anger you went threshing [the] nations.^{*}

13 And you went forth for the salvation

^a "Cu'shan," MSy; "the E.thio'pi.ans," LXX; "E.thio'pi.a," Vg.
^b "Surging waters." M, *t'hōm*; LXXVg, "the abyss"; Sy, *t'hū'ma*.
See Genesis 1:2, footnote c.

qPs 68:34
Ps 150:1
aEx 9:15
Nu 14:12
Nu 16:46
dDe 28:22
De 32:24
*Isa 2:19
Isa 13:13
Hag 2:21
Heb 12:26
#Ps 60:2
Hag 2:7
kGe 49:26
nPs 46:2
Ps 114:4
Na 1:5
rGe 25:2
Nu 22:4
Jos 13:21
Ps 83:9
sEx 15:14
Isa 64:2
tIsa 50:2
Na 1:4
Re 16:12
uPs 114:3
cZec 6:1
oJoh 4:22
pGe 9:13
vDe 33:26
Ps 18:10
Isa 19:1
Re 6:2
Re 19:11
yPs 68:17
Ps 104:3
zPs 7:12
La 2:4
kLu 1:73
*Ps 105:41
oEx 19:18
Ps 114:4
Re 6:14
oMt 5:45
oMt 24:29
dPs 93:3
Ps 96:11
Ps 98:7
oJos 10:12
Isa 38:8
*Ps 19:5
mPs 77:17
oPs 77:18
Ps 144:8
*Jer 51:33

#Ps 68:7
Ps 68:19

nJos 11:12
Ps 68:21
Ps 110:6
rPs 18:15
Eze 13:14

sPs 83:2

tPs 10:8
Ps 64:4

uPs 77:19

vPs 119:120
Jer 23:9
Da 8:27
Da 10:8
yPs 94:13
Isa 26:20
Jer 15:11
2Th 1:7
z2Kl 24:2
Jer 25:9
*De 28:18
Jer 14:4
Joe 1:10
Am 4:9
Hag 2:16
oIsa 2:1
Ps 42:5
Ps 46:1
Isa 61:10
Ro 5:2
Ro 5:11
aEx 15:2
Ps 18:32
Isa 12:2
Mic 7:7
Lu 2:30
oPs 18:1
Ps 27:1
Eph 3:16
Php 4:13
Col 1:11

of your people,^{*} to save your anointed one.^a You broke to pieces the head one out of the house of the wicked one.ⁿ There was a laying of the foundation bare, clear up to the neck.^r *Se'lah*.

14 With his own rods you pierced [the] head of his warriors [when] they moved tempestuously to scatter me.^a Their high glee was as of those bent on devouring an afflicted one in a place of concealment.^t

15 Through the sea you trod [with] your horses, [through] the heap of vast waters.^u

16 I heard, and my belly began to be agitated; at the sound my lips quivered; rottenness began to enter into my bones;^v and in my situation I was agitated, that I should quietly wait for^b the day of distress,^y for [his] coming up to the people, [that] he may raid them.^z

17 Although [the] fig tree itself may not blossom, and there may be no yield on the vines; the work of [the] olive tree may actually turn out a failure, and the terraces themselves may actually produce no food; [the] flock may actually be cut off from [the] pen, and there may be no herd in the enclosures;^{*}

18 Yet, as for me, I will exult in Jehovah himself;^q I will be joyful in the God^e of my salvation.^a

19 Jehovah the Sovereign Lord^d is my vital energy;^q and he will make my feet like those

^a "Anointed one." M, *ma.shi'ahh*; LXX^{BN}, "anointed one [*ho chris.tos*]"; Vg, *chris'tus*. ^b Or, "I should wail (lament) before."—Koehler-Baumgartner. ^c "God." M, *Elo.him*. ^d "Jehovah the Sovereign Lord." M, *Y'ho.wih' A.do.nay*. See Psalm 68:20, footnote h. Compare Genesis 15:2, footnotes e, f. LXX, "Jehovah God"; VgT, "God Jehovah"; Sy, "the Lord of lords."

of the hinds,* and upon my high^o places^a he will cause me to tread.^o

To the director on my stringed instruments.

^a "My high places." Or, probably, to be read, "the high places of Jehovah"; the final *yod* suffixed to the word being possibly an abbreviation for the name Jehovah. Compare Judges 19:18, footnote b, and Jeremiah 9:3, 6, where "Jehovah" should probably be read instead of "me" (final *yod* ['] in M).

ZEPHANIAH^a

I The word of Jehovah that occurred to Zephani'ah^a the son of Cush'i the son of Ged-al'ah the son of Am-a-ri'ah the son of Hez-e-ki'ah^m in the days of Jo-si'ah^b the son of A'mon^c the king of Judah:

2 "I shall without fail finish everything off the surface of the ground," is the utterance of Jehovah.^d

3 "I shall finish off earthling man and beast. I shall finish off the flying^o creature of the heavens and the fishes^o of the sea,^o and the stumbling blocks with the wicked ones;^o and I will cut off mankind^e from the surface of the ground,"^e is the utterance of Jehovah. ^f "And I will stretch out my hand against Judah and against all the inhabitants of Jerusalem," and I will cut off from this place the remaining ones of the Ba'al,^g the name of the foreign-god priests^h along with the priests,^k and those who are bowing down upon the roofs to the army of the heavens,ⁿ and those who are bowing down,^r

^a Meaning "Jehovah Has Concealed." ^b "Jo-si'ah." M, *Yo.shi.ia'hu*; meaning "Yah(u) Supports." ^c "Mankind." M, *ha-a-dam*. ^d "The Ba'al." M, *hab-Ba'al*; the name of the false god. LXX, *he Ba'al*; Vg, *Ba'al*. ^e "Foreign-god priests." M, *k'ma.rim*; Vg, "temple keepers."

making sworn oaths to Jehovah^s and making sworn oaths by Mal'cham;^{at} and those who are drawing back from following Jehovah^u and who have not sought Jehovah and have not inquired of him."^v

7 Keep silence before the Lord Jehovah;^{by} for the day of Jehovah is near,^z for Jehovah has prepared a sacrifice;^o he has sanctified^o his invited ones.^d

8 "And it must occur on the day of Jehovah's sacrifice that I will give attention to the princes,^o and to the sons of the king, and to all those wearing foreign attire." ^o And I will give attention to everyone that is climbing upon the platform^c in that day, those who are filling the house of their masters^d with violence and deception.^o ¹⁰ And there must occur on that day," is the utterance of Jehovah, "the sound of an outcry^r from the Fish Gate,^h and a howling from the second quarter,^k and a great crashing from the hills.^{on} ¹¹ Howl,^r you inhabitants of Mak'tesh,^o

Isa 48:1
Ho 4:15
Jos 23:7
Jer 49:1
Am 5:26
Ac 7:43
u1Sa 15:11
Isa 1:4
Heb 10:38
vPs 14:2
Isa 43:22
Ro 3:11
Mt 9:13
yPs 76:8
Hab 2:20
Zec 2:13
zIsa 13:6
2Pe 3:10
*Isa 34:6
Eze 39:17
Re 19:17
u1Sa 16:5
Jer 51:28
AMt 22:14
Re 17:14
*Isa 24:21
*2Ki 10:22
*2Ki 5:20
Ne 5:15
*Jer 4:19
*2Ch 33:14
Ne 3:3
k2Ki 22:14
n2Ch 3:1
rJer 4:8
Jer 25:34
Joe 1:5
Jas 5:1
*Ge 49:26

^a "Mal'cham." M, *mal.kam*; LXX, "their king"; Vg, *Mel'chom*; Sy, *Mal'chom*. ^b "The Lord Jehovah." M, *A.do.nay* *Y'ho.vih*; LXX, VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords." Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. ^c Or, "podium; threshold." Possibly, the platform or dais of the king's throne. ^d Or, "grand master." M, *a.do.nim*; the plural number of *a.don*. See Genesis 39:3, footnote d. ^e "Mak'tesh." Meaning "a mortar," and denoting the Mortar-Quarter of the city of Jerusalem. Says footnote 2 of page 52 of *Jerusalem in the Old Testament*, by Dr. J. Simons, S.J. (1952): "While, therefore, the Old Testament name of the Central Valley remains entirely unknown to us, we probably possess the special name of a part of it. Zephani'ah (i 11) addresses himself to the 'inhabitants of the mortar (*mah-tes*)', where the silversmiths appear to have been established. After the context this quarter may have been part of the then already existing Mishneh or Second City. *Mah-tes* may therefore be taken for the basin formed by the junction of the Central Valley and the Cross-Valley . . . rather than the area in the bend of the Central Valley. . . . The name occurs nowhere [See bottom of next page.]

for all the people who are tradesmen have been silenced;^a all those weighing out silver have been cut off.

12 "And it must occur at that time that I shall carefully search Jerusalem with lamps,^t and I will give attention to the men^a who are congealing upon their dregs^u [and] who are saying in their heart, 'Jehovah will not do good, and he will not do bad.'^v 13 And their wealth must come to be for pillage and their houses for a desolate^o waste.^y And they will have built houses, but they will not have occupancy;^m and they will have planted vineyards,^o but they will not drink the wine of them.^z

14 "The great day^p of Jehovah is near.* It is near, and there is a hurrying [of it] very much.^o The sound of the day of Jehovah is bitter.^o There a mighty man^b is letting out a cry.^o 15 That day is a day of fury, a day of distress^o and of anguish,* a day of storm and of desolation, a day of darkness and of gloominess,^o a day of clouds^o and of thick gloom,^o 16 a day of trumpet^o and of alarm signal,* against the fortified cities and against the high corner towers.^o 17 And I will cause distress to mankind,^d and they will certainly walk like blind^o men;^k because it is against Jehovah that they have sinned.^o And their blood will actually be poured out like dust,^r and their bowels like the dung.^o 18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able

[Continued from bottom of previous page.] else, so that a firm localization is hardly possible, and even its character as a real proper name is not beyond doubt . . ."

^a "Men." M, *a-nä-shim*; the plural number of *ish*. ^b "A mighty man." M, *gib-bôr*. Compare Genesis 10:8, footnote d. ^c Or, "sho'phar." ^d Or, "men." M, *ha-a-dam*.

sNo 3:31
Joh 2:16
Re 18:11

tAm 9:2
Re 2:23

uJer 48:11

vPs 10:13
Ps 14:1
2Pe 3:4

CMt 12:25
yIsa 6:11
Jer 5:17
Hab 2:7

oMt 20:1
mAm 5:11
zDe 28:30
pMal 4:1

*Joe 2:1
Ac 2:20
Re 6:17
oEze 7:7

2Pe 3:12
AIsa 66:6
Heb 12:26

cGe 35:3
oIsa 33:7
Jer 48:41
Re 6:16

*Lu 21:25
Re 6:17
oMt 17:5

pZec 9:14
oJoe 2:2
Am 5:18

*Jer 4:19
oIsa 2:15
CMal 1:8

kDe 28:28
Isa 59:10
nIsa 24:5

Da 9:5
Re 18:5
rPs 79:3

Re 14:20
sJer 9:22
Jer 25:33

pMt 6:13
Isa 2:20
Eze 7:19
Jas 5:1
uDe 32:22
Jer 7:20

vJer 4:27

yJoe 1:14
zIsa 1:4
Jer 6:15
Php 3:19

*2Pe 3:5

m2Ch 36:16
Jer 23:20
La 4:11

nLa 1:6
Mal 4:1
AIsa 55:6

Am 5:6
Mt 7:7
oPs 25:9

Ps 76:9
Mt 5:5
1Pe 3:4

*Mt 6:33
Ro 12:17
oAm 5:15

Jon 3:9
*Ge 7:16
Ps 31:20

Isa 26:20
*Jg 16:1
Am 1:6

kJg 1:13
Jer 47:5
n2Ch 26:6

Am 1:8
rPs 91:8
Jer 15:8

*2Kl 1:16
Zec 9:5
tEze 25:16

uJos 13:3
Isa 14:29
vIsa 17:2

Eze 25:5
yJer 31:7
Mic 2:12

to deliver^p them in the day of Jehovah's fury;^t but by the fire of his zeal the whole earth^a will be devoured,^u because he will make an extermination, indeed a terrible one,^b of all the inhabitants of the earth.^v

2 Gather yourselves together, yes, do the gathering,^y O nation not pining in shame.^z ² Before [the] statute gives birth to [anything],* [before the] day has passed by just like chaff, before there comes upon you people the burning anger of Jehovah,^m before there comes upon you the day of Jehovah's anger,^o ³ seek Jehovah,^a all you meek^d ones of the earth,^a who have practiced His own judicial decision. Seek righteousness,* seek meekness.^e Probably^f you may be concealed^g in the day of Jehovah's anger.* ⁴ For, as regards Ga'za, an abandoned [city] is what she will become;^h and Ash'ke-lon is to be a desolate waste.^k As regards Ash'dod,ⁿ at high noon they will drive her out;^r and as regards Ek'ron, she will be uprooted.^s

5 "Woe to those inhabiting the region of the sea, the nation of Cher'e-thites!^{ht} The word of Jehovah is against you people. O Ca'naan, the land of the Philis'tines, I will also destroy you, so that there will be no inhabitant.^u ⁶ And the region of the sea must become pasture grounds,^v [with] wells for shepherds and stone pens for sheep. ⁷ And it must become a region for the remaining ones of the house of Judah.^y Upon them they will feed. In the houses of Ash'ke-lon, in the

^a Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^b "Indeed a terrible one." Or, by a correction, "indeed a sudden terror." ^c Or, "not yearning intensely." ^d Or, "humble." ^e Or, "humbleness; humility." ^f Or, "Perhaps." M, *Oulai*. ^g "May be concealed." In M the verb used here is *sa-thar'*, not *tsa-phan'* (as in the name Zeph-ani'ah). ^h "Cretans," LXX.

evening, they will lie stretched out. For Jehovah their God^a will turn his attention to them^z and certainly gather the captive ones of them.”^z

8 “I have heard the reproach by Mo’ab^o and the abusive words of the sons of Am’mon,^a with which they have reproached my people and kept putting on great airs against their territory.^o Therefore, as I am alive,”^o is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^b the God^a of Israel, “Mo’ab herself will become just like Sod’om,^c and the sons of Am’mon^e like Go-mor’rah,^o a place possessed by nettles, and a salt pit, and a desolate waste, even to time indefinite.^k The remaining ones of my people will plunder them, and the remnant of my own nation will take possession of them.”¹⁰ This is what they will have instead of their pride,^k because they reproached and kept putting on great airs against the people of Jehovah of armies.^{bn} ¹¹ Jehovah will be fear-inspiring against them;^{cr} for he will certainly emaciate all the gods^d of the earth,^s and people will bow down to him,^t each one from his place, all the islands^e of the nations.^u

12 “You also, you E-thi-o’pi-ans,^{fv} you yourselves will be those slain by my sword.^{sv}

13 “And he will stretch out his hand toward the north, and he will destroy As-syr’i-a.^z And he will make Nin’e-veh a desolate waste,^z a water-

zMic 4:10
Lu 1:68
*Jer 23:3
Eze 39:25
*Jer 48:27
Eze 25:8
*Ps 83:4
Jer 49:1
Eze 25:3
*Nu 14:21
Isa 49:18
Jer 46:18
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*Ge 19:24
Am 2:1
*Eze 25:2
Am 1:13
*Mt 10:15
*De 29:23
Isa 13:19
Jer 50:40
Joe 3:19
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*Mic 5:8
kIsa 16:6
Jer 48:29
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Isa 10:12
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Isa 37:23
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uIsa 42:4
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Jer 47:6
zIsa 10:12
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*Na 3:7

^a “God.” M, *Elo-him*. ^b “Jehovah of armies.” M, *Y’ho-wah*. ^c *Ts’ba-oth*; LXX, “the Lord the Almighty”; Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*. ^d “Jehovah will be fear-inspiring against them.” MvG; “Jehovah will appear upon them.” LXXSy. ^e “Gods.” M, *Elo-him*; LXX, *theoi*; Vg, *dei*. ^f Or, “coastlands.” ^g “E-thi-o’pi-ans.” LXX-Vg; *Cu-shim*, M; “Cush’ites,” SyT. ^h “My sword,” MLXXVgT. Possibly, “the sword of Jehovah,” if the final *yod* ['] suffixed to the Hebrew word for “sword” is an abbreviation for the tetragrammaton or *Y’ho-wah*. Compare Habakkuk 3:19, footnote a.

*Ge 14:6

*Isa 13:20
Ro 18:2
mIsa 34:11

*Am 9:1

*Ge 8:6

*Jer 22:14

*Isa 22:2
Isa 47:7
Ro 18:7

*Isa 47:8
Eze 28:2
*Isa 14:4
La 1:1
Re 18:10

*Isa 9:8
La 2:15
Eze 27:36

kIsa 5:7
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Mal 3:5
nDe 28:15
Jer 32:23
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less region like the wilderness.^o ¹⁴ And in the midst of her, droves will certainly lie stretched out, all the wild animals of a nation.^a Both pelican and porcupine^m will spend the night right among her pillar capitals.^a A voice will keep singing in the window.^o There will be devastation at the threshold; for he will certainly lay bare the very wainscoting.^o ¹⁵ This is the exultant city that was sitting in security,^z that was saying in her heart, ‘I am, and there is nobody else.’^o O how she has become an object of astonishment,^z a place for the wild animals to lie stretched out! Everyone passing along by her will whistle; he will wag his hand.”^z

3 Woe to her that is rebelling^b and polluting herself, the oppressive city!^k ² She did not listen to a voice;^z she did not accept discipline.^r In Jehovah she did not trust.^s To her God^c she did not draw near.^t ³ Her princes in the midst of her were roaring lions.^u Her judges were evening wolves that did not gnaw [bones] till the morning.^v ⁴ Her prophets were insolent, were men of treachery.^v Her priests themselves profaned what was holy; they did violence to [the] law.^z ⁵ Jehovah was righteous in the midst of her;^z he would do no unrighteousness.^o Morning by morning he kept giving his own judicial decision.^a At daylight it did not prove lacking.^o But the unrighteous one was knowing no shame.^z

6 “I cut off nations; their corner towers were desolated. I devastated their streets, so that there was no one passing through. Their cities were laid waste, so that there was no man,^d so that there was no inhabitant.”^z ⁷ I said, ‘Surely

^a “A nation,” M; “the earth,” LXX; “peoples,” VgSy. ^b Or, “that is dirty.” ^c “God.” M, *Elo-him*; LXX, *ho Theos*. ^d “Man,” M, *ish*.

you will fear me; you will accept discipline';^a so that her dwelling might not be cut off^b—all that I must call to account against her.^k Truly they acted promptly in making all their dealings ruinous.ⁿ

8 "Therefore keep yourselves in expectation of me,"^r is the utterance of Jehovah, 'till the day of my rising up^a to [the] booty,^{bs} for my judicial decision is to gather nations,^t for me to collect together kingdoms,^c in order to pour out upon them my denunciation,^m all my burning anger; for by the fire of my zeal all the earth^c will be devoured.^u ⁹ For then I shall give to peoples the change to a pure language,^{dv} in order for them all to call upon the name of Jehovah,^y in order to serve him shoulder to shoulder.^{ez}

10 "From the region of the rivers of E.thi.o'p'ia^f the ones entreating me, [namely,] the daughter of my scattered ones, will bring a gift to me.^{*} ¹¹ In that day you^g will not be ashamed because of all your dealings with which you transgressed against me,^q for then I shall remove from the midst of you your haughtily exultant ones;^a and you will never again be haughty in my holy mountain.^o ¹² And I shall certainly let remain in the midst of you a people humble and lowly,^{*} and they will actually take refuge in the name of Jehovah.^g ¹³ As regards the remaining ones of Israel,^{*} they will do no unrighteousness,^h nor speak a lie,^k nor will

^a "My rising up," M; "my resurrection [*ana'stasis*]," LXX; "my resurrection [*resurrectio*]," Vg. ^b "Booty," M, 'ad. LXXSy, "a witness (testimony)"; Hebrew, 'ed. Vg, "the future." ^c Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^d Literally, "lip," M. See Genesis 11:1. ^e Literally, "[with] one shoulder," M. ^f "E.thi.o'p'ia," LXXVg; "Cush," MSy; "India" (*Ho'du*), T. ^g "You." The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the city.

Isa 5:4
Isa 63:8
Lu 19:42
2Pe 3:9
Jer 7:7
Jer 25:5
k2Ch 36:16
nHo 9:9
Mic 2:1
rPs 37:34
Isa 30:18
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Jas 5:7
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Zec 14:2
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Jer 10:10
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Eph 4:25
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Zec 8:21
zPhp 1:27
*Ps 68:29
Ps 72:10
Isa 18:7
Ro 15:16
dIsa 45:17
Isa 54:4
Ro 9:33
ΔLu 1:51
Jas 4:6
oIsa 11:9
*Isa 57:15
Isa 61:1
Mt 5:3
eCo 1:27
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Isa 14:32
Heb 6:18
*Isa 10:22
Mic 4:7
*Isa 60:21
Mt 13:41
kEph 4:25
Col 3:9
Re 14:5
Re 21:27

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there be found in their mouths a tricky tongue;ⁿ for they themselves will feed and actually lie stretched out,^r and there will be no one making [them] tremble."^s

14 Joyfully cry out, O daughter of Zion! Break out in cheers,^t O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!^u ¹⁵ Jehovah has removed the judgments upon you.^v He has turned away your enemy.^{oy} The king of Israel, Jehovah, is in the midst of you.^z You will fear calamity no more.^{*} ¹⁶ In that day it will be said to Jerusalem: "Do not be afraid, O Zion.^q May your hands not drop down.^a ¹⁷ Jehovah your God^a is in the midst of you. As a mighty One,^b he will save.^o He will be glad over you with rejoicing.^{*} He will become silent in his love.^g He will be joyful over you with happy cries.

18 "The ones grief-stricken^{*} in absence from your^c festal season I shall certainly gather together;^{*} absent from you they happened to be, because of bearing reproach on her account.^k ¹⁹ Here I am acting against all those afflicting you, at that time;ⁿ and I will save her that is limping,^r and her that is dispersed I shall collect together. And I will set them as a praise^o and as a name in all the land of their shame. ²⁰ At that time I shall bring you people in, even in the time of my collecting you together.^s For I shall make you people to be a name and a praise among all the peoples of the earth, when I gather your captive ones before your eyes," Jehovah has said.^t

*Isa 11:11
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^a "God," M, *Elo.him*; LXX, *ho The.os*. ^b "A mighty One," M, *gib.bōr*. Compare Isaiah 10:21, footnote a. ^c The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the city.

HAGGAI^a

1 In the second year of Da-ri'us the king,* in the sixth month, on the first day of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred by the hand of Hag'gai^a the prophet to Ze-rub'ba-bel^a the son of She-al'ti-el,^b the governor of Judah, and to Joshua^b the son of Je-hoz'a-dak the high^c priest,^c saying:

2 "This is what Jehovah of armies^d has said, 'As regards this people, they have said: "The time has not come, the time of the house of Jehovah, for [it] to be built." ' " " " "

3 And the word of Jehovah continued to come by the hand of Hag'gai^a the prophet, saying: "Is it the time for YOU yourselves to dwell in YOUR paneled houses,^e while this house is waste?^f ^g And now this is what Jehovah of armies^d has said, 'Set YOUR heart upon YOUR ways.^h ⁱ You have sown much seed, but there is a bringing of little in.^j There is an eating, but it is not to satisfaction.^k There is a drinking, but not to the point of getting intoxicated. There is a putting on of clothes, but it is not with anyone's getting warm; and he that is hiring himself out is hiring himself out for a bag having holes.' " " "

7 "This is what Jehovah of armies^d has said, 'Set YOUR heart upon YOUR ways.'^l

^a Meaning "Festive." ^b Literally, "Je-hosh'u-a," M; "Jesus," LXX-Vg; "Ye-shu," Sy. Meaning "Jehovah Is Salvation." See Hebrews 4:8, footnote e. ^c Or, "chief." Literally, "great," MLXXVg. ^d "Jehovah of armies." M, Y^eho-wah' T^sba-ōth'; LXX, "Jehovah almighty" (Ky'ri-os pan-to-kra'tōr); T, Y^eYa T^sba-ōth'; Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*.

*Ezr 4:24
Zec 1:1

ⓈEzr 6:14
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ⓈEzr 3:2
Lu 3:27
ⓈZec 3:1
Ⓢ1Ch 6:15
Ezr 3:2

*Ezr 4:23

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kJer 26:18
Jer 52:13
Da 9:17
nJg 19:30
Eze 40:4
Da 6:14
Mal 2:2
rDe 28:38
Isa 5:10
Am 4:9
Re 6:5
sLe 26:26
Eze 4:16

uJas 4:2

vJas 5:4
yEx 7:23
Ps 119:69
Hag 1:5

z2Ch 2:8
Ezr 3:7
*Ezr 5:2
1Ki 9:3
2Ch 7:16
ⓈEx 29:43
Ps 29:9
Isa 60:13
1Co 6:20

ⓈIsa 17:11
Ho 8:7
*2Sa 22:16
Isa 40:7
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Ro 8:31

8 "Go up to the mountain,^a and you must bring in lumber.^z And build the house,^z that I may take pleasure in it^z and I may be glorified,^a Jehovah has said."

9 "There was a looking for much, but, look! there was just a little;^z and you have brought [it] into the house, and I blew upon it—for what reason?^z is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^b By reason of my house that is waste, while you are on the run, each one in behalf of his own house.^z ¹⁰ Therefore, over you [the] heavens kept back [their] dew, and the earth^c itself kept back its yield.^z ¹¹ And I kept calling for dryness upon the earth,^c and upon the mountains, and upon the grain, and upon the new wine,^m and upon the oil, and upon what the ground would bring forth,^w and upon earthling man,^d and upon domestic animal, and upon all the toil of your hands.' " " "

12 And Ze-rub'ba-bel the son of She-al'ti-el, and Joshua the son of Je-hoz'a-dak the high priest,^e and all the remaining ones of the people began to listen to the voice of Jehovah their God,^{fn} and to the words of Hag'gai the prophet, when Jehovah their God^f sent him;^r and the people began to fear because of Jehovah.^s

13 And Hag'gai the messenger^s of Jehovah went on to say to the people according to the messenger's commission from Jehovah,^t saying: "I am with YOU people,^z is the utterance of Jehovah."^u

^a Or, "the mountainous region." ^b "Jehovah of armies." See verse 2, footnote d. ^c Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^d "Earthling man." M, *ha-a-dam*. ^e "The high priest." Literally, "the great priest," M; *sa-cer'dos magnus*, Vg. ^f "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^g Or, "angel." LXX, *an'ge-los*; Vg, *nun'tius*.

14 And Jehovah proceeded to rouse up the spirit^a of Ze-rub'ba-bel the son of She-al'ti-el, the governor of Judah, and the spirit^a of Joshua the son of Je-hoz'a-dak the high priest, and the spirit of all the remaining ones of the people;^v and they began to enter in and to do the work in the house of Jehovah of armies^b their God.^c

¹⁵ It was on the twenty-fourth day of the sixth month in the second year of Da-ri'us^m the king.

2 In the seventh [month], on the twenty-first [day] of the month, the word of Jehovah occurred by the hand of Hag'gai the prophet, saying: ² "Say, please, to Ze-rub'ba-bel^w the son of She-al'ti-el, the governor of Judah,^z and to Joshua the son of Je-hoz'a-dak the high priest, and to the remaining ones of the people, saying, ³ 'Who is there among YOU that is remaining over who saw this house in its former glory?' ⁴ And how are YOU people seeing it now? Is it not, in comparison with that, as nothing in YOUR eyes?"^q

4 "But now be strong, O Ze-rub'ba-bel,' is the utterance of Jehovah, 'and be strong,^a O Joshua the son of Je-hoz'a-dak the high priest.'

"And be strong, all you people of the land,^d is the utterance of Jehovah, 'and WORK.'

"For I am with you people," is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^b ⁵ '[Remember] the thing^e that I concluded^f with YOU people when YOU came forth from Egypt,^g and [when] my spirit^s

v1Ch 5:26
2Ch 36:22
Ezr 1:1
Ezr 1:5
Php 2:13
yEzr 5:2
Ne 4:6
1Co 15:58
Heb 13:21
mEzr 4:24
Hag 1:1
Zec 1:1

wEzr 2:2
Ne 7:7
Zec 4:6
zEzr 1:8

*1K1 6:1
Ezr 3:12

cZec 4:10

4De 31:23
1Ch 22:13
Zec 8:9
1Co 16:13
Eph 6:10
Joh 5:17
Joh 6:28
Php 2:12
*Ex 3:12
Jg 2:18
Isa 43:2
Ac 7:9
Ro 8:31
*Ex 29:45
Ex 34:10

^a "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^b "Jehovah of armies." See Haggai 1:2, footnote d. ^c "God." M, *Elo-him'*. ^d "People of the land." M, *'am ha-ar'ets*. Not yet used in a contemptuous sense. See Jeremiah 1:18, footnote b, and compare John 7:47-49. ^e Literally, "word." M. ^f Literally, "cut." M. ^g "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *to pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d.

*Nu 11:25
Isa 63:11
Zec 4:6
Joh 14:16
*Isa 41:10
Zec 8:13
Ac 27:24

OMt 4:18
kPs 37:10
Isa 10:25
Heb 10:37
nIsa 34:4
Jer 4:24
Joe 3:16
Mt 24:29
Heb 12:26
Re 6:12
Isa 60:5
Isa 60:11
Re 7:9
*Ex 40:35
1K1 8:11
Isa 66:12
1Ch 29:14
Ps 24:1
Isa 60:13
Isa 66:12
Heb 3:6
vPs 85:8
Isa 2:4
Isa 60:17
Joh 14:27
Ac 10:36

yHag 1:1

zLe 10:11
De 33:10
Eze 44:23
Da 7:25
Mal 2:7
Tit 1:9
*Ex 29:37
Mt 23:19
Ac 10:15

oNu 5:2
Nu 9:6
Nu 19:11
Nu 31:19

was standing in among YOU.* Do not be afraid.' ⁶ "For this is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'Yet once—it is a little while^k—and I am rocking the heavens and the earth and the sea^o and the dry ground.'"

7 "And I will rock all the nations, and the desirable things^b of all the nations must come in;^{cr} and I will fill this house with glory,^s Jehovah of armies^a has said.

8 "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine,' is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^{at}

9 "Greater will the glory of this later house become than [that of] the former,^u Jehovah of armies^a has said.

"And in this place I shall give peace,' is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^{av}

10 In the twenty-fourth [day] of the ninth [month], in the second year of Da-ri'us, the word of Jehovah occurred to Hag'gai the prophet,^y saying: ¹¹ "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'Ask, please, the priests as to [the] law,^z saying: ¹² "If a man^d carries holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and he actually touches with his skirt bread or stew or wine or oil or any sort of food, will it become holy?"' ¹³ "And the priests proceeded to answer and say: "No!"

13 And Hag'gai went on to say: "If someone unclean by a deceased soul^e touches any of these things, will it become unclean?"^o

^a See Haggai 1:2, footnote d. ^b "Desirable things"; by a change of vowel pointing of the word in M. Literally, "desirable thing," but evidently in a collective sense, for this word is accompanied by a plural verb in M. ^c Or, "and they, the desirable thing of all the nations, must come in." ^d "A man." M, *ish*. ^e Literally, "a soul." That is, a dead soul. See Leviticus 21:11, footnote b; Numbers 6:6, footnote a. LXX, *psy-chē*; Vg, *a'ni-ma*.

In turn, the priests answered and said: "It will become unclean."

14 Accordingly Hag'gai answered and said: "That is how this people is, and that is how this nation is before me,^a is the utterance of Jehovah, 'and that is how all the work of their hands is, and that which they present there. It is unclean.'^b

15 "But now, please, set YOUR heart [on this] from this day and forward, before there was the placing of a stone upon a stone in the temple of Jehovah,^c ¹⁶ from when those things happened to be—one came to a heap of twenty [measures], and it proved to be ten; one came to the press vat to draw off fifty [measures] of the wine trough, and it proved to be twenty;^d ¹⁷ I struck you people with scorching^m and with mildewⁿ and with hail,^{ok} even all the work of your hands,ⁿ and there was no one with you [turning] to me,^r is the utterance of Jehovah—

18 "Set YOUR heart,^s please, [on this], from this day and forward, from the twenty-fourth [day] of the ninth [month], from the day that the foundation of the temple of Jehovah was laid;^t set YOUR heart [on this]: ¹⁹ Is there as yet the seed in the grain pit?^a And as yet, the vine and the fig tree and the pomegranate tree and the olive tree—it has not borne, has it? From this day I shall bestow blessing.'^u

20 And the word of Jehovah proceeded to occur a second time to Hag'gai on the twenty-fourth [day] of the month,^v saying: ²¹ "Say to Ze-rub'ba-bel the governor of Judah,^v 'I am rocking the heavens and the earth.'^z ²² And I shall certainly overthrow the throne of king-

^a Or, "storeroom."

4Pr 15:8
Pr 28:9
Isa 1:11
Isa 64:6

4Isa 66:3

4Ps 107:43
Isa 5:12
Ho 14:9
Mal 2:2
Ro 10:10
Heb 3:12
4Ezr 3:10
Zec 4:9

4Hag 1:6
Zec 8:10
mGe 41:27

Am 4:9
4De 28:22
1Ki 8:37
2Ch 6:28

oEx 9:18
kIsa 28:2
nPs 78:46

Jer 3:24
r2Ch 28:22
Isa 9:13

Jer 5:3
Am 4:6
Re 2:21
Re 9:20

sDe 32:29
Hag 1:5
Lu 15:17

tEzr 5:2
Zec 8:9

uGe 26:12
Le 26:4
Ps 128:2

Pr 3:10
Mt 6:33
vHag 2:10

yHag 1:1

zEze 38:20
Hag 2:6
Heb 12:26

*Ps 2:8
Isa 46:6
Isa 60:12
Da 2:44
Zep 3:8
DEX 14:28
Ps 76:6
Eze 39:20
OML 5:47
AJg 7:22
2Ch 20:22
Isa 19:2

oJer 22:24
Joh 6:27
2Ti 2:19

*Isa 42:1
Isa 49:3
Mt 12:18
1Pe 2:4

4Jas 5:4

doms and annihilate the strength of the kingdoms of the nations;^{*} and I will overthrow [the] chariot and its riders, and [the] horses and their riders will certainly come down,^q each one by the sword of his brother.'^{ro}

23 "In that day,^r is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^a 'I shall take you, O Ze-rub'ba-bel the son of She-al'ti-el, my servant,' is the utterance of Jehovah; 'and I shall certainly set you as a seal ring,^c because you are the one whom I have chosen,' is the utterance of Jehovah of armies."^a

^a See Haggai 1:2, footnote d. This expression, "Jehovah of armies," occurs 14 times in Hag'gai's prophecy.

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*Ezr 4:24
Hag 1:1
Hag 2:10

oEzr 5:1
Ne 12:16
2Ki 22:16

Ezr 9:6
Jer 44:6
Jer 25:5

Eze 33:11
Mal 3:7
Jer 12:15

Ho 14:4
Mic 7:19
Lu 15:20

2Ch 29:6
Ezr 9:7
Ne 9:16

Ps 106:6
Mt 1:22
2Ch 36:16

kIsa 1:16
Jer 3:12
Ho 14:1
Ac 3:19

1 In the eighth month in the second year of Da-ri'us^{*} the word of Jehovah occurred to Zech-a-ri'ah^a the son of Ber-e-chi'ah^b the son of Id'do^c the prophet, saying: ² "Jehovah grew indignant at your fathers—very much so.^d

3 "And you must say to them, 'This is what Jehovah of armies^e has said: "Return to me," is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^e and I shall return to you,'^f Jehovah of armies^e has said."

4 "Do not become like your fathers^{*} to whom the former prophets^g called,^h saying: 'This is what Jehovah of armies^e has said, 'Return, please, from your bad ways and from your bad dealings.'"^{ik}

^a Meaning "Jehovah Has Remembered"; or, "Remembered by Jehovah." ^b M, *Be-rek-hyah*; as in 1 Chronicles 3:20; 9:16; Nehemiah 3:4, 30; 6:18. ^c "Jehovah of armies." M, *Y'ho-wah' T's'ba-oth*. This expression occurs 52 times in Zech-a-ri'ah's prophecy.

"But they did not listen, and they paid no attention to me,"ⁿ is the utterance of Jehovah.

5 "As for YOUR fathers, where are they?" And as for the prophets,^s was it to time indefinite that they continued to live? ^a However, as regards my words and my regulations that I commanded my servants, the prophets,^t did they not catch up with YOUR fathers?" ^u

So they returned and said: "According to what Jehovah of armies^a had in mind to do to us,^v according to our ways and according to our dealings, that is how he has done with us."^y

7 On the twenty-fourth [day] of the eleventh month, that is, the month She'bat, in the second year of Da-ri'us,^z the word of Jehovah occurred to Zech-a-ri'ah^a the son of Ber-e-chi'ah^b the son of Id'do^c the prophet, saying: ^s "I saw [in] the night, and, look! a man^{ca} riding on a red horse,^d and he was standing still among the myrtle^e trees that were in the deep place;^d and behind him there were horses red, bright red, and white."^o

9 And I proceeded to say: "Who are these, my lord?"^e

At that the angel^{fo} who was speaking with me said^g to me: "I myself shall show you who these very ones are."

10 Then the man^c who was standing still among the myrtle trees answered and said: "These are the ones whom Jehovah has sent forth to walk about in the earth."^{sk} ¹¹ And they

^a See verse 3, footnote c. ^b M, *Be-rekh-ya'hu*; as in 1 Chronicles 6:39; 15:17; 2 Chronicles 28:12. ^c "Man." M, *ish*. ^d Or, "the abyss." M, *m'tsul-ah*; Vg, *prof-un'dum*; T, "Babylon [or, Ba'bel]." ^e "Lord." M, *a-dōn*; LXX, *ky'rios*; Vg, *do'mi-nus*. ^f Or, "messenger." M, *ma-lakh*; LXX, *an'ge-los*; Vg, *an'ge-lus*. ^g Or, "land." M, *er'ets*.

nJer 11:8
Jer 44:16
rEc 9:5
Ec 12:7
sHeb 11:37

tJer 26:15
u2Ch 34:17
Jer 44:28
Da 9:12

vNu 33:56
Jer 23:20
La 1:18
yDe 28:20
Isa 3:8
Jer 4:4
Eze 20:43
Ho 9:15
zEzr 4:24
Hag 1:1
*Ezr 5:1
cNe 12:4

*Jos 5:13
Ps 45:3
Re 6:4
Re 19:19
*Isa 41:19
Isa 55:13
*Ezr 6:2
Zec 6:6
*Da 7:16
Zec 4:4
Re 7:13
cMt 1:20
*Da 8:16
Zec 4:5

kPs 91:11
Ps 103:21
Heb 1:14

proceeded to answer the angel^a of Jehovah who was standing among the myrtle trees and to say: "We have walked about in the earth,^{bn} and, look! the whole earth^b is sitting still and having no disturbance."^r

12 So the angel^a of Jehovah answered and said: "O Jehovah of armies,^c how long will you yourself not show mercy^o to Jerusalem and to the cities of Judah,^s whom you have denounced these seventy years?"^t

13 And Jehovah proceeded to answer the angel^a who was speaking with me, with good words, comforting words;^u ¹⁴ and the angel^a who was speaking with me went on to say to me: "Call out, saying, 'This is what Jehovah of armies^d has said: "I have been jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with great jealousy."^v ¹⁵ With great indignation I am feeling indignant^o against the nations that are at ease;^y because I, for my part, felt indignant to only a little extent,^z but they, for their part, helped toward calamity."^o

16 "Therefore this is what Jehovah has said, 'I shall certainly return to Jerusalem with mercies.^o My own house^o will be built in her,"^a is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^d "and a measuring line itself will be stretched out over Jerusalem."^o

17 "Call out further, saying, 'This is what Jehovah of armies^d has said: "My cities will yet overflow with goodness;" and Jehovah will yet certainly feel regrets over Zion^o and yet actually choose Jerusalem."^o

nPs 103:20
Da 10:20
Mt 13:41
Mt 25:31
2Th 1:7
rZec 1:15
1Th 5:3
*Ps 74:10
Ps 102:13
Isa 64:9
Re 6:10
cMt 5:7
2Ch 36:21
Jer 25:12
Da 9:2
Zec 7:5
uIsa 40:1
Jer 29:10
Jer 30:10
Am 9:11
Zep 3:15
vIsa 42:13
Ho 11:8
Joe 2:18
Na 1:2
Zec 8:2
yJer 48:11
Am 6:1
Zec 1:11
1Th 5:3
Re 18:7
cGe 40:2
zIsa 54:8
Heb 12:7
*Ps 69:26
Ps 137:7
Isa 47:6
Jer 51:35
Am 1:3
Mt 24:9
Re 11:7
cGe 7:1
cIsa 12:1
Jer 33:11
Zec 8:3
*Ezr 6:14
Isa 44:26
Eze 48:35
Hag 1:14
*Jer 31:39
Eze 40:3
Zec 2:1
*Ps 69:35
*Isa 51:3
2Ch 6:6
Ps 132:13
Isa 41:9
Zec 3:2

^a Or, "messenger." M, *ma-lakh*; LXX, *an'ge-los*; Vg, *an'ge-lus*. ^b Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^c "Jehovah of armies," MVGT; "Jehovah almighty" (*Ky'rios pan-to-kra'tōr*), LXX. See verse 3, footnote c. ^d See Zechariah 1:3, footnote e.

18 And I proceeded to raise my eyes and see; and, look! there were four horns.^a ¹⁹ So I said to the angel^a who was speaking with me: "What are these?" In turn he said to me: "These are the horns that dispersed Judah,^k Israelⁿ and Jerusalem."^r

20 Furthermore, Jehovah showed me four craftsmen.^s ²¹ At that I said: "What are these coming to do?"

And he went on to say: "These are the horns that dispersed Judah to such an extent that no one at all raised his head; and these others will come to set them trembling, to cast down the horns of the nations that are lifting up a horn against the land of Judah,^b in order to disperse her."^t

2 And I proceeded to raise my eyes and see; and, look! there was a man,^c and in his hand^o a measuring rope.^u ² So I said: "Where are you going?"

In turn he said to me: "To measure Jerusalem, in order to see what her breadth amounts to and what her length amounts to."^v

3 And, look! the angel^a who was speaking with me was going forth, and there was another angel^a going forth to meet him. ⁴ Then he said to him: "Run, speak to the young man over there, saying, 'As open rural country Jerusalem will be inhabited, because of the multitude^o of men and domestic^o animals in the midst of her.'^v ⁵ And I myself shall become to her," is the utterance of Jehovah, "a wall^o of fire all around,^z and a glory is what

#La 2:17

k2Ki 24:12
2Ki 25:11
n2Ki 15:29
2Ki 17:6
2Ki 18:10
Jer 50:17
r2Ch 36:20
Hab 3:14
sMic 5:5

tPs 75:4
Ps 110:5
Mic 5:8

oMal 1:13
uEze 40:3
Zec 1:16
Re 11:1

vJer 31:39
Eze 48:6
Eze 48:15
Re 21:15
yIsa 33:20
Isa 44:26
Jer 30:18
Jer 31:24
Jer 33:10
Eze 36:10
Mic 7:11
Zec 8:4
Zec 12:6
oMr 3:8
oGe 1:24
zPs 48:11
Isa 4:5
Isa 12:6
Zec 9:8
oEx 14:22

*Ps 3:3
Isa 60:19
Re 21:23
oIsa 55:1
4Jer 1:14

oDe 28:64
Jer 15:4
Eze 5:12

*Isa 52:2
Mic 4:10

oIsa 48:20
Jer 50:8
Re 18:4
Isa 60:13
Isa 66:12

*2Ki 24:2
Mic 4:11
kPs 105:14
2Th 1:6
nDe 32:10
rIsa 10:32
sIsa 14:2

tJer 28:9

uIsa 35:10
vIsa 40:9

I shall become^a in the midst of her."^v ⁶ "Hey there! Hey there!" Take YOUR flight, then, from the land of the north,^u is the utterance of Jehovah.

"For in the direction of the four winds^b of the heavens I have spread you people abroad,"^v is the utterance of Jehovah.

7 "Hey there, Zion!" Make your escape, you who are dwelling with the daughter of Babylon.^c ⁸ For this is what Jehovah of armies^d has said, 'Following after [the] glory^e he has sent me to the nations that were despoiling you people;^f for he that is touching you people^k is touching my eyeball.^{en} ⁹ For here I am waving my hand against them,^r and they will have to become spoil to their slaves.^s And you people will certainly know that Jehovah of armies^d himself has sent me.^t

10 "Cry out loudly and rejoice, O daughter of Zion,^u for here I am coming,^v and I will re-

^a "I shall become." Or, "I shall prove to be." M, *eh.yeh'*. See Exodus 3:14, footnote d. ^b "Winds." M, *ru'ahh* in the plural number; *LXX*, *a'ne-moi*; Vg, *ven'ti*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^c "Babylon," *LXXVg*; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^d See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. ^e "My eyeball." This is where one of the Eighteen Emendations of the Sopherim, or *tikkunei sopherim*, occurred. Says Ginsburg's *Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible* (1897), on page 359: "Here the original reading, which was: 'he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of (עֵינִי) my eye', has been altered by the Sopherim into: 'he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of (עֵינִי) his eye, i.e. as if one were to touch the apple of his own eye. Though 'the eye of the Lord' is not unfrequently used in the Bible yet 'the apple of my eye' (בֶּכַח עֵינִי) occurs nowhere else. It was, therefore, regarded derogatory to the Deity that he himself should ascribe to himself so pronounced an anthropomorphic feature. Hence in accordance with the rule which underlies these alterations the *Yod* (י) was changed into *Vau* (ו) as in the case of the alteration exhibited in No. 9 [Jeremiah 2:11]." Compare Genesis 18:22, footnote a.

^a Or, "messenger." See Zechariah 1:9, footnote f. ^b "Judah," MVgSy; "Jehovah," *LXX*. ^c "A man," M, *ish*.

side in the midst of you,"^v is the utterance of Jehovah. ¹¹ "And many nations will certainly become joined to Jehovah in that day,^z and they will actually become my people;^{*} and I will reside in the midst of you."^a And you^a will have to know that Jehovah of armies^b himself has sent me to you.^{a2} ¹² And Jehovah will certainly take possession of Judah as his portion upon the holy ground,⁴ and he must yet choose Jerusalem.⁹ ¹³ Keep silence, all flesh, before Jehovah,^{*} for he has aroused himself^{*} from his holy dwelling.^{*}

3 And he proceeded to show me Joshua^{c*} the high priest standing before the angel^d of Jehovah, and Satan^{ek} standing at his right^o hand in order to resist him.ⁿ ² And [the angel of] Jehovah^f proceeded to say to Satan:^{er} "Jehovah rebuke you, O Satan,^{es} yes, Jehovah rebuke you, he who is choosing Jerusalem!^t Is this one not a log snatched out of the fire?"^u

3 Now as for Joshua,^c he happened to be clothed in befouled^s garments and standing before the angel.^{av} ⁴ Then he answered and said to those standing before him: "Remove the befouled garments from upon him."^v And he went on to say to him: "See, I have caused your error to pass away from upon you,^z and there is a clothing of you with robes of state."³

5 At that I said:^h "Let them put a clean

^a "You." In the feminine gender, singular number, in address to the "daughter of Zion." ^b See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. ^c M, *Y'ho-shu'a*; LXXVg, "Jesus." See Hebrews 4:8, footnote e. ^d Or, "messenger." ^e Or, "the Resister." M, *has-Satan*; LXX, *ho Di-abolos*; Vg, *Sa'tan*. ^f "The angel [messenger] of Jehovah." Sy; "Jehovah." MLXXVg. ^g Or, "filthy"; that is, from excrements. ^h "At that I said," MSyT; "And he said," Vg; but missing from LXX.

yLe 26:12
Isa 12:6
2Co 6:16
zPs 22:27
Isa 2:2
Jer 16:19
*Ex 12:49
*Eze 33:53
*Ex 19:5
De 32:5
Ps 32:5
Ps 135:4
Jer 51:19
*Isa 41:9
Zec 1:17
*Ps 46:10
Hab 2:20
Zep 1:7
*Ro 1:4
*Ps 78:65
Isa 26:21
Zep 3:8
*2Ch 30:27
Ps 68:5
Isa 57:15
*Ezr 5:2
Hag 1:1
*Ge 13:9
kJob 1:6
nPs 109:6
1Pe 5:8
rPs 109:31
Mt 4:10
Lu 22:31
Ro 16:20
sMr 1:25
Lu 9:42
Jude 9
t2Ch 6:6
Zec 2:12
uAm 4:11
Ro 11:5
Jude 23
v2Ch 30:18
Isa 64:6
yEze 36:25
z2Sa 12:13
Ps 32:1
Ps 51:9
Isa 6:7
Heb 8:12
*Isa 61:3
Isa 61:10
1Co 6:11
Re 19:8

*Ex 23:6
Le 8:9
Zec 6:11
Re 4:10

41Ki 2:3
Eze 44:8
De 17:9
Mal 2:7
Mt 19:28
Cmt 5:22

*Re 3:5

*Ps 71:7
Isa 8:18
Isa 20:3
Eze 12:11
Eze 24:24
1Co 4:9

*Mt 22:13
Isa 42:1
Isa 49:3
Isa 53:11
Isa 11:1
Isa 53:2

Jer 23:5
Jer 33:15
kPs 118:22
Isa 28:16
Mt 21:42
1Pe 2:4

n2Ch 16:9
Re 5:6
rEx 28:11
Joh 6:27
Re 2:17
*Mt 26:29
*Jer 50:20
Zec 13:1
t1Ki 4:25
Isa 36:16
Ho 2:18
Mic 4:4

uDa 8:18
vJer 1:11
Zec 5:2

turban upon his head."^o And they proceeded to put the clean turban upon his head and to clothe him with garments; and the angel^a of Jehovah was standing by. ⁶ And the angel^a of Jehovah began to bear witness to Joshua,^b saying: ⁷ "This is what Jehovah of armies^c has said, 'If it is in my ways that you will walk, and if it is my obligation that you will keep,⁴ then also it will be you that will judge my house⁹ and also keep my courtyards;^c and I shall certainly give you free access among these who are standing by.'"

8 "Hear, please, O Joshua^b the high priest, you and your companions who are sitting before you, for they are men^d [serving] as portents;^e for here I am bringing in my servant^{*} Sprout!^f ⁹ For, look! the stone^k that I have put before Joshua!^b Upon the one stone there are seven eyes.^{gn} Here I am engraving its engraving,^r is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^c 'and I will take away the error of that land in one day.'"

10 "In that day," is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^c 'you will call, each one to the other, while under [the] vine^o and while under [the] fig tree.'"^t

4 And the angel^a who was speaking with me proceeded to come back and wake me up, like a man that is awakened from his sleep.^u ² Then he said to me: "What are you seeing?"^v

^a Or, "messenger." ^b M, *Y'ho-shu'a*; LXXVg, "Jesus." See Hebrews 4:8, footnote e. ^c See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. ^d "Men." M, *and-shim*; the plural number of *ish*. ^e Literally, "men of portent [token, or, wonder]." M. ^f "Sprout." M, *Tse'mahh*. Compare Isaiah 4:2, footnote b; Jeremiah 23:5; 33:15. ^g Or, "seven pairs of eyes," as the word for "eyes" is in the dual number in M.

So I said: "I have seen, and, look! there is a lampstand, all of it of gold,^y with a bowl on top of it.^z And its seven lamps^c are upon it, even seven;^{*} and the lamps that are at the top of it have seven pipes.³ And there are two olive trees alongside it,^o one on the right side of the bowl and one on its left side."

4 Then I answered and said to the angel^a who was speaking with me, saying: "What do these [things] mean, my lord?"^b So the angel^a who was speaking with me answered and said to me: "Do you not really know what these things mean?"⁹

In turn I said: "No, my lord."^b

6 Accordingly he answered and said to me: "This is the word of Jehovah to Ze-rub'ba-bel, saying, 'Not by a military force,^c nor by power,^x but by my spirit,'^d Jehovah of armies^e has said. 'Who are you, O great mountain?' Before Ze-rub'ba-bel^s [you will become] a level land. And he will certainly bring forth the headstone.^t There will be shoutings^u to it, 'How charming! How charming!' "^v

8 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: "The very hands of Ze-rub'ba-bel have laid the foundation of this house,^y and his own hands will finish [it].^z And you will have to know that Jehovah of armies^e himself has sent me to you people.^{*} For who has despised the day of small things?^o And they will certainly rejoice^a and see the plummet^f in the hand of Ze-rub'ba-bel. These seven are the eyes

^a Or, "messenger." ^b "My lord." M, *a.do.ni'*. See Zechariah 1:9, footnote e. ^c Or, "vital energy." ^d "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^e See Zechariah 1:3, footnote e. ^f Literally, "the stone [or, weight], the tin," M.

^yEx 25:31
1K1 7:49
Jer 52:19
Re 1:12
^oMt 5:15
z1K1 7:50
^{*}Ex 25:37
Re 4:5

^oJg 9:9
Ro 11:17
Re 11:4

^aDa 7:16
Zec 1:9
Re 7:13

⁹Mr 4:13

⁻Ps 139:6
^eEx 14:4

1K1 20:1
Isa 43:17
^sIsa 17:45
Isa 17:46
Isa 17:47
Ho 1:7

^oMal 2:15
^{*}Nu 11:25

Jg 6:34
1K1 18:12
Isa 63:14

Joe 2:28
^sIsa 40:4
Mt 21:21

^sEzr 3:2
Ne 12:1

Hag 1:1
^tPs 118:22

Isa 28:16
1Pe 2:7

^uEzr 3:11
Jer 33:11

^vPs 45:2
^yEzr 3:10

Ezr 5:16
zEzr 6:14

Zec 6:12
^{*}Zec 6:15

^oEzr 3:12
Hag 2:3

^aIsa 66:14

^o2Ch 16:9
Pr 15:3
Jer 16:17

^oMt 5:15

^{*}Zec 4:3
Re 11:4

^oZec 4:5

^{*}Ex 29:7
2Co 1:21

^oJos 3:11
Jos 3:13

Isa 54:5
Mic 4:13

1Jer 36:2
Eze 2:9

Re 5:1
ⁿZec 4:2

^rDe 11:28
De 28:15

Ps 109:17
Isa 24:6

Jer 26:6
Da 9:11

Mal 4:6
^sEx 20:15

Pr 29:24
Jer 7:9

Ho 4:2
^tLe 19:12

Isa 48:1
Jer 5:2

Mal 3:5
1Ti 1:10

of Jehovah.^o They are roving about in all the earth."

11 And I proceeded to answer and say to him: "What do these two olive trees on the right side of the lampstand^o and on its left side mean?"¹² Then I answered the second time and said to him: "What are the two bunches of twigs^a of the olive trees that, by means of the two golden tubes, are pouring forth from within themselves the golden [liquid]?"

13 So he said to me: "Do you not really know what these [things] mean?"

In turn I said: "No, my lord."^b

14 Accordingly he said: "These are the two anointed ones^c who are standing alongside the Lord^d of the whole earth."¹⁵

5 Then I raised my eyes again and saw; and, look! a flying scroll.^k So he said to me: "What are you seeing?"ⁿ

In turn I said: "I am seeing a flying scroll, the length of which is twenty cubits, and the breadth of which is ten cubits."

3 Then he said to me: "This is the curse that is going forth over the surface of all the earth,^r because everyone that is stealing,^s according to it on this side, has gone free of punishment; and everyone making a sworn oath,^t according to it on that side, has gone free of punishment. ⁴ 'I have caused it to go forth,' is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^e 'and it must enter into the

^a "Bunches of twigs." M, *shib.bo'leth* in the plural number; possibly, the ends of the olive boughs. Compare "Shib'bo'leth" in Judges 12:6, footnote c. ^b See verse 4, footnote b. ^c "Anointed ones." Literally, "sons of the oil," MVg; "sons of fattiness," LXXSy; "sons of princes," T. ^d "The Lord." M, *A.don'*; LXX, *ho Ky'rios*; Vg, *Do.mi.na'tor*. ^e See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c.

house of the thief^c and into the house of the one making a sworn oath in my name falsely; and it must lodge in the midst of his house and exterminate it and its timbers and its stones.' "u

5 Then the angel^a who was speaking with me went forth and said to me: "Raise your eyes, please, and see what this is that is going forth."

6 So I said: "What is it?"

In turn he said: "This is the e'phah^v measure^b that is going forth." And he went on to say: "This is their aspect^c in all the earth." ^d And, look! the circular lid of lead was lifted up; and this is a certain woman sitting in the midst of the e'phah.^b ^e So he said: "This is Wickedness." ^f And he proceeded to throw her [back] into the midst of the e'phah,^b after which he threw the lead weight upon its mouth.

9 Then I raised my eyes and saw, and here there were two women coming forth, and wind^e was in their wings. And they had wings like the wings of the stork. And they gradually raised the e'phah^b up between the earth and the heavens. ¹⁰ So I said to the angel^a who was speaking with me: "Where are they taking the e'phah?"^b

11 In turn he said to me: "In order to build^z for her a house in the land of Shi'nar;^f and it must be firmly established, and she must be deposited there upon her proper place."

^a Or, "messenger." ^b An e'phah measure equaled 1 bushel, 3 quarts and 1.2 pints. It corresponds with the liquid-measure bath. Or, in the metric system, 36.9 liters earlier, and 40.5 liters later. ^c Literally, "eye." ^d MVg; "unrighteousness," LXX; "debt," Sy. ^e Or, "land." ^f M, *er'ets*. ^g "Wind." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^h "Shi'nar," M; *Sennaar*, Vg; "Babylon," LXXSyT.

^oEx 22:2

^uLe 14:45
Pr 3:33
Jas 5:3

^vEx 16:36
Eze 45:10
Am 8:5

^yGe 15:16
Mt 23:32
1Th 2:16

^zJer 29:5
Jer 29:28
^aGe 10:10
Ge 11:2
Ge 14:1
Isa 11:11
Da 1:2

^cGe 41:43
mIKl 19:11

^eZec 1:8
Re 6:4
^fZec 6:8
Re 6:5
^gZec 1:8
Re 6:2
Re 19:11
^hZec 6:7

ⁱZec 1:9
Zec 5:10

^jPs 104:4
Heb 1:7
Heb 1:14
^kMt 11:25
^l2Ch 18:18
Job 1:6
Da 7:10
Zec 4:10
Lu 1:19
kIsa 54:5
Zec 4:14
nJer 1:14
Jer 4:6
Jer 25:9
Eze 1:4
rDa 11:5
Da 11:40
^oZec 6:3
^pGe 13:17
2Ch 16:9
Job 1:7
Job 2:2
uAc 1:8

6 Then I raised my eyes again and saw; and, look! there were four chariots³ coming forth from between two mountains,^m and the mountains were copper mountains. ⁿ In the first chariot there were red horses;² and in the second chariot, black horses.⁴ ⁵ And in the third chariot there were white horses;⁵ and in the fourth chariot, horses speckled, parti-colored.⁶

4 And I proceeded to answer and say to the angel^a who was speaking with me: "What are these, my lord?"^b

5 So the angel^a answered and said to me: "These are the four spirits^c of the heavens that are going forth^d after having taken their station before the Lord^d of the whole earth.^k ^e As for the one^e in which the black horses are, they are going forth to the land of the north;ⁿ and as for the white ones, they must go forth to behind the sea;^f and as for the speckled ones, they must go forth to the land of the south.^g ^h And as for the parti-colored^h ones, they must go forth and keep seeking [where] to go, in order to walk about in the earth."ⁱ Then he said: "Go, walk about in the earth." And they^h began walking about in the earth.^u

8 And he proceeded to cry out to me and speak to me, saying: "See, those going forth to the land of the north are the ones that have

^a Or, "messenger." ^b "My lord." M, *a-do-mi'*; LXX, *ky'rios*; Vg, *do'minus me'us*. ^c "Spirits." M, *ru'ahh* (in plural number); LXX-Vg, "winds." See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^d "The Lord." M, *A-don'*; LXX, *ho Ky'rios*; Vg, *Do'mina'tor*. ^e "The one." In the feminine gender, to refer to chariot (feminine). ^f "Behind the sea." By a slight change in M. Literally, "after them," LXXVg; not in the same direction, but toward the west, toward the Great Sea, the Mediterranean. ^g "The south," MLXXVgSyT. *Hat-tei-man'*, M. ^h "They." In the feminine gender, with possible reference to "spirits."

caused the spirit^v of Jehovah^a to rest in the land of the north."^v

9 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to me, saying: ¹⁰ "Let there be a taking of something from the exiled^a people, [even] from Hel'dai and from To-bi'jah and from Je-da'iah; and you yourself must come in that day, and you must come into the house of Jo-si'ah the son of Zeph-a-ni'ah^a [with these] who have come from Babylon.^b ¹¹ And you must take silver and gold and make a grand crown^c and put [it] upon the head of Joshua^d the son of Je-hoz'a-dak^e the high priest. ¹² And you must say to him, 'This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said: "Here is the man^f whose name is Sprout.^g And from his own place he will sprout, and he will certainly build^o the temple of Jehovah.^h ¹³ And he himself will build the temple of Jehovah, and he himself will carry [the] dignity;^h and he must sit down and rule on his throne,^o and he must become a priest upon his throne,^k and the very counsel^o of peace will prove to be between both of them."¹⁴ And the grand crown^h itself will come to belong to He'lem^h and to To-bi'jah and to Je-da'iah and to Hen'

^a "The spirit of Jehovah." In the Hebrew expression the final *yod* is taken to be the abbreviation of the name *Y'ho-wah*, instead of standing for the first-person, singular-number pronoun "my." See Habakkuk 3: 19, footnote a. VgSy, "my spirit"; LXX, "my anger"; T, "[do] my will." ^b "Babylon," LXXVg; "Ba'bel," MSyT. ^c "A grand crown," T; "a crown," LXXmanuscriptsSy; "crowns," MLXXBVg. Compare verse 14, footnote g. ^d See Zechariah 3: 1, footnote c. ^e See Zechariah 1: 3, footnote c. ^f "The man." M, *ish*; LXX, *a.nēr*; Vg, *vir*. ^g "Grand crown." Literally, "crowns," but being accompanied by a verb in the singular number; hence appearing to be in the plural number of excellence or grandeur. ^h "He'lem," MVgT; "Hel'dai," Sy. ⁱ "Hen," MT; *Hem*, Vg; "Jo-si'ah," Sy.

vJg 8:3
Ec 10:4
yJer 51:48
Eze 5:13
Eze 16:42
zEzr 1:11
Ezr 7:16
Ezr 8:30
Ac 24:17
*Zec 6:14
Ex 28:36
Le 8:9
Ps 21:3
Re 19:12
Hag 1:1
Hag 1:14
Zec 3:1
Zec 3:5
Hag 2:4
Isa 9:8
Isa 32:1
Da 4:17
Da 7:13
Zec 13:7
Mr 15:39
Isa 4:2
Isa 11:1
Jer 23:5
Jer 33:15
Zec 3:8
Lu 1:32
Ge 11:5
*2Sa 7:13
Zec 8:9
Mt 16:18
Eph 2:20
Heb 3:6
*Ps 21:5
Ps 45:3
Isa 22:24
*Mt 5:34
*De 32:28
kPs 110:4
Heb 3:1
Heb 4:14
Heb 6:20
nIsa 9:6
Col 1:20

*Ex 3:15
*Zec 6:10
*Ex 28:12
Jos 4:7

Isa 56:6
Isa 60:10

uZec 4:8

vJer 7:23

yEzr 6:14
Hag 2:10
Zec 1:1

zNe 1:1

*Jer 36:22

*Ezr 7:17

Zec 6:10

*Ex 32:11

Isa 13:12

1Kl 13:6

Jer 26:19

*De 17:9

Eze 44:15

Ho 4:6

Mal 2:7

*Ne 8:9

Ne 9:1

Ec 3:4

Isa 22:12

Mt 9:15

*Isa 58:5

*Jer 25:11

Zec 1:12

Isa 1:31

Isa 58:4

Mt 6:16

Col 2:23

*Isa 55:3

the son of Zeph-a-ni'ah^r as a memorial^{os} in the temple of Jehovah. ¹⁵ And those who are far away will come and actually build in the temple of Jehovah."^t And YOU people will have to know that Jehovah of armies^a himself has sent me to you.^u And it must occur—if you will without fail listen to the voice of Jehovah YOUR God."^v

7 Furthermore, it came about that in the fourth year of Da-ri'us^v the king the word of Jehovah occurred to Zech-a-ri'ah, on the fourth [day] of the ninth month, [that is,] in Chis'lev.^{bz} ² And Beth'el proceeded to send^a Shar'e'zer and Reg'em-mel'ech and his men^c to soften the face of Jehovah,^d ³ saying to the priests^a who belonged to the house of Jehovah of armies,^a and to the prophets, even saying: "Shall I weep in the fifth month, practicing an abstinence,^d the way I have done these O how many years?"^o

4 And the word of Jehovah of armies^a continued to occur to me, saying: ⁵ "Say to all the people of the land^o and to the priests, 'When you fasted^d and there was a wailing in the fifth [month] and in the seventh [month], and this for seventy years,^o did YOU really fast to me, even me?'^e And when you would eat and when you would drink, were not YOU the ones doing the eating, and were not YOU the ones doing the drinking?'^f [Should you] not [obey] the words^g

^a See Zechariah 1: 3, footnote c. ^b "Chis'lev." The post-exile name of the ninth Jewish lunar month, which falls within November and December. ^c "Men." M, *a.nā-shim*; the plural number of *ish*. ^d "Practicing an abstinence." The Hebrew verb in M for this expression is in the infinitive absolute and therefore is indefinite as to time and is impersonal. ^e "People of the land." M, *'am ha-ar'ets*. See Haggai 2: 4, footnote d.

that Jehovah called out by the hand of the former prophets,^k while Jerusalem happened to be inhabited, and at ease, with her cities all around her, and [while] the Neg'eb^{an} and the Shephe'lah^{br} were inhabited?"

8 And the word of Jehovah continued to occur to Zech.ari'ah, saying: "This is what Jehovah of armies^c has said, 'With true justice^d do YOUR judging;^a and carry on loving-kindness^{et} and mercies themselves with one another;^u and defraud no widow^v or fatherless boy,^y no alien resident^z or afflicted one,^{*} and scheme out nothing bad against one another in YOUR hearts.'¹² But they kept refusing to pay attention,^a and they kept giving a stubborn shoulder,^o and their ears they made too unresponsive to hear.⁺ And their heart^q they set as an emery stone to keep from obeying the lawⁿ and the words that Jehovah of armies^c sent by his spirit,^f by the hand of the former prophets;^g so that there occurred great indignation on the part of Jehovah of armies."^{ck}

13 "And it will occur that, just as he called and they did not listen,ⁿ so they will call and I shall not listen,^r Jehovah of armies^c has said. "And I shall tempestuously hurl them throughout all the nations^s that they have not known;^t and the land itself will certainly be left desolate behind them, with no one passing through and with no one returning;^u and they will make the desirable land^v an object of astonishment."^g

^a Or, "the south"; that is, the southern part of ancient Palestine.
^b Or, "the lowlands." ^c See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. ^d Or, more literally, "with the judgment of truth," M. ^e Or, "loyal love," M, *hhes'ed*. ^f "Spirit," M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*.

kJer 7:25
Jer 36:2

nDe 34:3
Jer 17:26
rDe 1:7
1Ch 27:28
2Ch 28:18

sDe 10:18
Jer 7:5
Jer 21:12
Jer 16:6
Ho 10:12
uPr 21:3
Mic 6:8

vDe 27:19
Isa 1:17
yEx 22:22
Pr 23:10
zEx 23:9
De 24:14

*Ps 72:4
Pr 22:22
cPs 36:4
Pr 6:18
Jer 11:19

Mr 7:21
2Ki 17:14
2Ch 33:10
Pr 1:24
Jer 6:10

*Ne 9:29
Ho 4:16
Isa 6:10
eEze 3:7
Isa 44:18

Mt 13:15
*Ne 9:30
Ac 7:51
2Pe 1:21
k2Ch 36:16

Jer 21:5
1Th 2:15
nPr 1:24
Isa 50:2
rPr 21:13

Isa 1:15
sLe 26:33
De 28:64
tDe 28:33
Jer 5:15

uLe 26:22
2Ch 36:21
vDa 8:9

8 And the word of Jehovah of armies^a continued to occur, saying: "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'I will be jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and with great rage I will be jealous for her.'"^y

3 "This is what Jehovah has said, 'I will return to Zion^z and reside in the midst of Jerusalem;^k and Jerusalem will certainly be called the city of trueness,^{bn} and the mountain^r of Jehovah of armies, the holy mountain.'"^s

4 "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'There will yet sit old men and old women in the public squares of Jerusalem,^t each one also with his staff^u in his hand because of the abundance of [his] days. ^s And the public squares of the city themselves will be filled with boys and girls playing in her public squares.'"^v

6 "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'Although it should seem too difficult^c in the eyes of the remaining ones of this people in those days, should it seem too difficult^c also in my eyes?'^y is the utterance of Jehovah of armies."^a

7 "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, 'Here I am saving my people^c from the land of the sunrise^z and from the land of the setting of the sun.^{*} ^s And I shall certainly bring them in, and they must reside in the midst of Jerusalem;^q and they must become my people,^a and I myself shall become^d their God^o in trueness and in righteousness.'"^g

9 "This is what Jehovah of armies^a has said,

yIsa 63:5
Eze 36:5
Joe 2:18
Na 1:2
zJer 30:10
Zec 1:16
kIsa 12:6
Eze 48:35
Joe 3:17
Isa 1:26
Isa 60:14
Jer 33:16
rIsa 2:2
sPs 48:1
Isa 11:9
Isa 66:20
Jer 31:23
Re 21:10
tIsa 65:20
uNu 21:18

vPs 148:12
Jer 30:19
Jer 31:27
Zec 2:4
Mt 11:16

yGe 18:14
Nu 11:23
Job 42:2
Jer 32:17
Jer 32:27
Mr 10:27
Lu 1:37
Lu 18:27
Ro 4:21
Ge 11:6

zPs 107:3
*Ps 50:1
qJer 3:17
Eze 37:25
Joe 3:20
Am 9:14
Le 26:12
Jer 30:22
Eze 11:20
2Co 6:16
Re 21:3
Le 25:17
Jer 4:2
Re 21:7

* See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. ^b Or, "truth [*ha-em-eth*]." ^c Or, "wonderful." LXX, "impossible." ^d "I . . . shall become." M, *eh-yeh*; compare Exodus 3:14, footnote d. ^e "God." M, *El-o-him*.

'Let the hands of YOU people be strong,' YOU who are hearing in these days these words from the mouth of the prophets,^a on the day on which the foundation of the house of Jehovah of armies^a was laid, for the temple to be built.¹⁰ For before those days there were no wages^b for mankind^b made to exist;^c and as for the wages of domestic animals, there was no such thing;^c and to the one going out and to the one coming in there was no peace because of the adversary,^{dk} as I kept thrusting all mankind^b against one another.¹¹

11 "And now I shall not be as in the former days to the remaining ones of this people,^r is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^a 12 'For there will be the seed of peace;^s the vine itself will give its fruitage, and the earth itself will give its yield,^t and the heavens themselves will give their dew;^u and I shall certainly cause the remaining ones^v of this people to inherit all these [things].^y 13 And it must occur that just as YOU became a malediction among the nations,^z O house of Judah^{*} and house of Israel,^o so I shall save YOU, and YOU must become a blessing.⁴ Do not be afraid.^o May YOUR hands be strong."

14 "For this is what Jehovah of armies^a has said, "Just as I had in mind to do what was calamitous to YOU people because of YOUR forefathers^b making me indignant," Jehovah of armies^a has said, "and I felt no regret,^x 15 so I will again have in mind in these days to deal

^a See Zechariah 1:3; footnote c. ^b Or, "men." ^c "No such thing." Or, more literally, "none." ^d This pronoun, however, being in the feminine gender and referring, not to wages (masculine), but to the paying of wages. ^e Or, "distress."

¹Ch 22:13
¹Ch 25:20
Isa 35:4
Hag 2:4
^eEzr 5:1

^rEzr 6:14
^oMal 3:5
^sHag 1:6

kJg 5:6
2Ch 15:5

nIsa 19:2
Mt 10:34
Am 9:4
Mt 10:34
^rPs 103:9
Isa 11:13
Isa 12:1
Hag 2:19
Mal 3:10
sGe 26:12

Ps 67:6
Ps 72:3
Pr 3:10
Isa 30:23
Jas 3:18

tLe 26:4
De 28:4
uDe 33:13
Pr 19:12
Ho 14:5
vMic 4:6

yIsa 35:10
Isa 61:7
Mt 6:33
zDe 28:37
Jer 42:18

*Jer 32:30
2Ki 17:18
4Ge 22:18
Isa 19:24
De 20:3
Isa 41:10
Isa 35:4

oIsa 14:24
Jer 31:28
2Ch 36:16
Jer 4:28
Jer 20:16
Eze 24:14

well with Jerusalem and with the house of Judah.¹⁶ Do not be afraid."^k

16 "These are the things that YOU people should do:ⁿ Speak truthfully with one another.^{ar} With truth^b and the judgment of peace do YOUR judging in YOUR gates.^s 17 And calamity to one another do not YOU scheme up in YOUR hearts,^t and do not love any false oath;^u for these are all things that I have hated,^v is the utterance of Jehovah."

18 And the word of Jehovah of armies^c continued to occur to me, saying: 19 "This is what Jehovah of armies^c has said, 'The fast of the fourth^y [month], and the fast of the fifth^z [month], and the fast of the seventh^{*} [month], and the fast of the tenth^o [month] will become for the house of Judah an exultation and a rejoicing and good festal seasons.⁴ So love truth and peace.'

20 "This is what Jehovah of armies^c has said, 'It will yet be that peoples and the inhabitants of many cities will come;^{*} 21 and the inhabitants of one [city] will certainly go to [those of] another, saying: "Let us earnestly go^o to soften the face of Jehovah and to seek Jehovah of armies.^c I myself will go also."²² And many peoples and mighty nations will actually come to seek Jehovah of armies^c in Jerusalem and to soften the face of Jehovah."^k

23 "This is what Jehovah of armies^c has said, 'It will be in those days that ten men^d out of all the languages^e of the nationsⁿ will take

*Jer 29:11
Jer 32:42
Mic 4:10
kIsa 43:1
Zep 3:16
nDe 10:12
Mic 6:8
Le 19:11
Ps 15:2
Pr 12:19
Jer 9:5
Ho 4:1
Isa 11:4
Am 5:15
Zec 7:9
Pr 3:29
Jer 6:14
Jer 4:14
Zec 7:10
Mt 15:19
uJer 4:2
vPr 6:16
Pr 8:13
yJer 52:6
Jer 52:12
zZec 7:5
*2Ki 25:25
oJer 52:4

aPs 30:11
Isa 35:10
Jer 31:12
ePs 119:165

*Ps 22:27
Isa 2:2
Isa 11:10
Ho 1:10
Mt 8:11
ePs 122:1

Zec 7:2
*Ps 146:2
kIsa 55:5
Isa 60:3
Jer 4:2
Mic 4:3
Hag 2:7
Ga 3:8
Re 7:14
Re 22:17
nIsa 66:18
Jer 7:9
Re 14:6

^a Literally, "truth each one with his companion." ^b Or, "true-ness." ^c Or, "em-eth." ^d See Zechariah 1:3; footnote c. ^e "Men." ^f Or, "and-shim"; the plural number of *ish*. ^g Literally, "tongues." ^h See Genesis 11:1.

hold, yes, they will actually take hold^r of the skirt of a man^a who is a Jew,^s saying: "We will go with you people,^t for we have heard [that] God^b is with you people."^u

9 A pronouncement:^v

"The word of Jehovah is against the land of Ha'drach, and Damascus^v is where it rests; for Jehovah has an eye on earthling man^z and on all the tribes of Israel. ² And Ha'math^z itself will also border upon her; Tyre^o and Sidon,^a for she is very wise.⁹ ³ And Tyre proceeded to build a rampart for herself, and to pile up silver like dust^o and gold^o like the mire of [the] streets.⁴ ⁴ Look! Jehovah^d himself will dispossess her, and into the sea he will certainly strike down her military force;^k and in the fire she herself will be devoured.⁵ ⁵ Ash'ke-lon^k will see and get afraid; and as for Ga'za,^u she will also feel very severe pains; Ek'ron^r also, because her looked-for hope^s will have to experience shame. And a king will certainly perish from Ga'za, and Ash'ke-lon herself will not be inhabited. ⁶ And an illegitimate^t son will actually seat himself in Ash'dod,^u and I shall certainly cut off the pride of the Philis'tine.^v ⁷ And I will remove his bloodstained things from his mouth^z and his disgusting things from between his teeth,^y and he himself also will certainly be left remaining for our God;^o and he must become like a sheik^f in Judah,^o and Ek'ron like

^a "A man." M, *ish*. ^b "God." M, *Elohim*; LXX, *ho Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^c "Gold." M, *hārūt*. ^d "Jehovah," in five Hebrew manuscripts and LXXVgSyT; *A.donay*, M. This is one of the 134 passages where the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.donay* instead of *Y'hovah*. ^e "God." M, *Elohim*; LXX, *ho Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^f "Sheik." See Genesis 36:15, footnote b.

rMt 25:40
sRo 2:29
Ga 3:29
tEx 12:38
Nu 10:29
Ru 1:16
2Sa 15:21
Ac 13:47
uNu 14:14
De 4:7
Jos 2:9
1Ki 8:42
Isa 45:14
1Co 14:25
vIsa 13:1
yGe 14:15
Jer 49:23
Am 1:3
zPs 34:15
1Pe 3:12
Nu 13:21
Jer 49:23
Am 6:14
oGe 2:7
Isa 23:1
Joe 3:4
Am 1:9
1Ki 17:9
Eze 28:21
Eze 28:3
Eze 27:33
Eze 26:17
Eze 27:26
Eze 28:18
kZep 2:4
nAc 8:26
rJos 13:3
sIsa 20:5
tDe 23:2
Heb 12:8
uEc 2:18
Am 1:8
vIsa 2:17
Da 4:37
Zep 2:10
Mal 2:6

yPs 3:7
Ps 58:6
Am 3:12
*Ge 36:40
Ex 15:15
1Ch 1:52
Isa 60:14

a2Sa 24:16
1Ch 11:4
1Ch 21:28
De 33:27
Ps 34:7
Ps 125:2
Ex 1:11
Isa 54:14
Ex 3:7
2Sa 16:12
Ps 97:8
Isa 12:6
Mt 21:5
Joh 12:15
kPs 2:6
Ps 45:1
Ps 110:1
Isa 9:6
Isa 32:1
Jer 23:5
Mr 11:10
Lu 19:38
Joh 1:49
Joh 12:13
Joh 19:15
oEx 14:6
nJoh 16:33
rMt 11:29
1Ki 1:33
Mt 21:7
Mr 11:7
Hag 2:22
oGe 4:10
uMic 5:10
vZec 10:4
yMic 4:3
zPs 2:8
Ps 72:8
Isa 49:9
Isa 30:3
Jer 31:6
Isa 61:1
Jer 31:17

oJob 42:10
Isa 61:7

the Jeb'u-site.^a ⁸ And I will encamp as an outpost for my house,^o so that there will be no one passing through and no one returning; and there will no more pass through them a taskmaster,⁹ for now I have seen [it] with my eyes.^z

9 "Be very joyful, O daughter of Zion." Shout in triumph, O daughter of Jerusalem. Look! Your king himself comes to you.^k He is righteous and victorious,^{an} humble,^{br} and riding upon an ass, even upon a full-grown animal the son of a she-ass.^{es} ¹⁰ And I shall certainly cut off^d [the] war^o chariot from E'phra-im^t and [the] horse from Jerusalem.^u And the battle bow^v will certainly be cut off. And he will actually speak peace to the nations;^y and his rulership will be from sea to sea and from the River^z to the ends of [the] earth.^z

11 "Also, you, O woman,^f by the blood^o of your^s covenant I will send your^s prisoners^o out of the pit in which there is no water.^a

12 "Return to the stronghold,^h you prisoners of the hope.^z

"Also, today [I am] telling [you]: 'I shall repay to you, O woman,ⁱ a double portion.'^{je} ¹³ For

^a Or, "experiencing salvation"; or, "having been saved." M, *no-sha'*; the passive form, as in Deuteronomy 33:29 and Psalm 33:16. LXX, "saying," or, "bringing salvation"; Vg, "Savior" (*sal.va'tor*). ^b Or, "afflicted." M, *a-ni'*; Vg, *pauper*. ^c "A she-ass." Literally, "she-asses." M. ^d "I shall certainly cut off." MVGT; "He will utterly destroy," LXXSy. ^e "The River." That is, the Euphrates River. ^f "You, O woman." M, *at*; the second-person pronoun, feminine gender, singular number. ^g "Your." The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to refer to the woman Zion or Jerusalem. ^h Or, "inaccessible [unapproachable] place." M, *bits.tsa.ron'*; its only occurrence in M. ⁱ "You, O woman." The Hebrew pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number. Compare verse 11, footnote f. ^j "A double portion." M, *mish-nah'*. Compare Isaiah 61:7.

I will tread as my [bow]^a Judah. The bow I will fill with E'phra-im, and I will awaken^b your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece,^c and I will make you^d as the sword of a mighty man.^e ¹⁴ And over them Jehovah himself will be seen,^f and his arrow will certainly go forth just like lightning.^g And on the trumpet^h the Lord Jehovahⁱ himself will blow,^j and he will certainly go with the windstorms of the south.^{hu} ¹⁵ Jehovah of armiesⁱ himself will defend them, and they will actually devour^v and subdue the slingstones. And they will certainly drink^y—be boisterous—as if there were wine; and they will actually become filled like the bowl, like the corners of [the] altar.^z

16 "And Jehovah their God^j will certainly save them^{*} in that day like the flock of his people;^o for they will be as the stones of a diadem glittering over his^k soil.^a "For O how [great] his goodness is,^b and how [great] his beauty is!^c Grain is what will make the young men thrive, and new wine the virgins."^d

10 Make YOUR requests of Jehovah for rain^e in the time of the spring rain,^f even of Jehovah who is making the storm clouds,^m and [who] gives a downpour of rain to

mDa 8:21
Joe 3:6
nPs 144:1
Ps 149:6
Isa 41:15
rEx 14:24
Jos 10:11
cEx 19:16
sPs 18:14
tJos 6:5
Isa 18:3
Joe 3:16
uIsa 21:1
Isa 66:15
vMic 5:8
Zec 10:5
Zec 12:6
yIsa 55:1

zEx 27:2
Le 4:7
*Jer 23:3
Eze 34:22
Eze 37:23
cPs 100:3
Isa 40:11
Mic 5:4
Lu 12:32
dIsa 62:3
Zep 3:20
Hag 2:23
ePs 31:19
Isa 63:7
*Ps 50:2
Ps 90:17
eIsa 62:8
Joe 3:18
Am 9:13
*Jer 14:22
cMt 5:45
*De 11:14
Joe 2:23
mJer 10:13
Jer 51:16

^a "As my [bow]." Literally, "for me." M. But it is the bow that is trodden. ^b Or, "rouse up." ^c "Greece," Vg; "[children] of the Greeks," LXX; "Ja'van," MSy. See Genesis 10: 2 and Daniel 8: 21, footnote a. ^d "You." The pronoun is in the feminine gender, singular number, to apply to Zion. ^e "A mighty man." M, *gib.bôr*. ^f Or, "sho'phar." ^g "The Lord Jehovah." See Genesis 15: 2, footnotes e, f. LXX, "Jehovah almighty"; VgT, "Jehovah God"; Sy, "the Lord of lords." Luther German, *der Herr Herr*. ^h "The south." M, *tei-man*. ⁱ See Zechariah 1: 3, footnote c. Luther German, *Der Herr Tsebaoth*. ^j "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^k Or, "their"; referring to the people.

nIsa 44:3
Eze 34:26
cGe 31:19
rJg 18:14
Isa 44:9
Jer 14:22
rJer 27:9
tJer 29:21
vJer 8:11
yJer 50:17

zNu 27:17
Eze 34:5
*Isa 56:11
Jer 10:21
Eze 34:10
cEze 34:16
Mt 25:41
dIsa 10:12
eLu 1:68
*Pr 21:31

*Nu 24:17
Isa 14:38
Isa 19:13
*Eze 9:8
Isa 22:23
*Ge 49:24
Isa 49:2
kIsa 60:17
nJoe 2:7

rPs 18:42
Mlc 7:10
*De 20:1
Jos 10:14
Isa 41:13

tPs 20:7
Ps 33:16
Hag 2:22
uEze 37:16
vJer 3:18
Jer 23:6
Ho 1:11
yJer 31:20
zJer 30:18

*Jer 33:3

cGe 41:52
dJer 31:9
Eze 37:19
eMt 9:17
fPs 104:15
Zec 9:15

them,ⁿ to each one vegetation in the field. ² For the teraphim^o themselves have spoken what is uncanny;^{ar} and the practicers of divination,^s for their part, have visioned falsehood,^t and valueless dreams are what they keep speaking, and in vain they try to comfort.^v That is why they will certainly depart like a flock;^y they will become afflicted, because there is no shepherd.^z ³ Against the shepherds my anger has grown hot,^{*} and against the goatlike leaders^o I shall hold an accounting;^a for Jehovah of armies^b has turned his attention to his drove,^b the house of Judah, and has made them like his horse of dignity in the battle.^{*} ⁴ Out of him is the keyman,^c out of him is the supporting ruler,^d out of him is the battle bow;^e out of him goes forth every taskmaster,^k all together. ⁵ And they must become like mighty menⁿ stamping down in the mire of [the] streets in the battle.ⁿ And they must get engaged in battle, for Jehovah is with them;^s and the riders of horses will have to experience shame.^t ⁶ And I will make the house of Judah superior,^u and the house of Joseph I shall save.^v And I will give them a dwelling,^e for I will show them mercy;^y and they must become like those whom I had not cast off;^z for I am Jehovah their God,^f and I shall answer them.^{*} ⁷ And those of E'phra-im^o must become just like a mighty man,^c and their heart must rejoice as though from wine.^{ga} And their own sons will

^a Or, "hurtful." ^b See Zechariah 1: 3, footnote c. ^c Literally, "the corner towers." M. Pictorial of vital or important men, chiefs. ^d Literally, "the peg." M. Pictorial of one who is a support, a ruler. ^e Or, possibly, "I will cause them to return." ^f "God." M, *Elo-him*.

see and certainly rejoice;⁴ their heart will be joyful in Jehovah.⁵

8 "I will whistle⁶ for them and collect them together; for I shall certainly redeem them,⁷ and they must become many, just like those who have become many.⁸ And I shall scatter them like seed among the peoples,⁹ and in the distant places they will remember¹⁰ me;¹¹ and they must revive with their sons and return.¹² And I must bring them back from the land of Egypt,¹³ and from Assyr'i'a¹⁴ I shall collect them together;¹⁵ and to the land of Gil'e-ad¹⁶ and Leb'a-non I shall bring them, and no [room] will be found for them.¹⁷ And he must pass through the sea [with] distress;¹⁸ and in the sea he must strike down [the] waves,¹⁹ and all the depths²⁰ of the Nile²¹ must dry up. And the pride of Assyr'i'a must be brought down,²² and the very scepter of Egypt will depart.²³ And I will make them superior in Jehovah,²⁴ and in his name they will walk about,²⁵ is the utterance of Jehovah."

11 "Open up your doors, O Leb'a-non,¹ that a fire may devour among your cedars.² Howl, O juniper tree, for the cedar has fallen; because the majestic ones themselves have been despoiled!³ Howl, YOU sturdy trees of Ba'shan,⁴ for the impenetrable⁵ forest has come down!⁶ Listen! The howling of shepherds,⁷ for their majesty has been despoiled.⁸ Listen! The roaring of maned young lions,⁹ for the proud [thickets]¹⁰ along the Jordan have been despoiled.¹¹

^a "Depths." M, *m'tsu-lôth'*; LXX, *ba'thos* (plural); Vg, *profundum* (plural). ^b Or, "fortified," or, "inaccessible," M; "interdicted," M^{margin}. ^c "Proud [thickets]." Or, "high trees." Literally, "pride," M.

^dPs 90:16
Ps 102:28
Jer 32:39
^ePs 13:5
Isa 66:14
Joh 16:22
^fIsa 5:26
Isa 7:18
^gIsa 44:22
Isa 51:11
1Ti 2:6
^h1Ki 4:20
Jer 33:22
Cmt 26:13
kJer 31:27
Ho 2:23
Mic 5:7
Ac 8:4

ⁱGe 2:14
n1Ki 8:47
Jer 51:50
rIsa 65:23
Ac 2:39
sIsa 11:11
tHo 11:11
uRo 11:25
vJer 22:6
Mic 7:14
zIsa 49:20
Isa 54:2
¹Ps 66:12
cIsa 11:15
dIsa 23:3
eIsa 14:25
Mic 5:5
²Eze 29:14
Eze 30:13
fIsa 41:10
Isa 45:24
³Pr 18:10
Mic 4:5
⁴Jer 22:23
kJer 22:7

nIsa 10:33
Eze 31:3
oNu 21:33
rIsa 32:19
sEze 34:10
Joe 1:13
Mt 23:13
tJer 25:34
uJer 2:30
Eze 19:3

vJer 49:19
Jer 50:44

yEze 34:8
zJer 23:1
Eze 22:25
Eze 34:4
Mic 3:2
Jer 2:3
2Ki 4:1
Ne 5:8
2Pe 2:3
dHo 12:8
eMal 3:17
fEze 34:4

gEze 8:18
Ho 1:6

hIsa 9:19
Jer 13:14
Eze 38:21
Mic 7:2
Hag 2:22
Mt 22:7
iPs 50:22
Heb 10:27
kZec 13:8

nZec 3:12
rIsa 17:40
Ps 23:4
sPs 133:1
tEze 37:19

uHo 5:7
Cmt 2:20
vDe 32:19
yDe 7:26

zJer 23:33
Jer 15:2
Mt 15:14
oJob 4:7

gJer 19:9
Eze 5:10

hJer 19:9
Eze 5:10

gJer 19:9
Eze 5:10

gJer 19:9
Eze 5:10

4 "This is what Jehovah my God^a has said, 'Shepherd the flock [meant] for the killing,^b the buyers of which proceed to kill [them]^c although they are not held guilty.' And those who are selling^d them say: "May Jehovah be blessed, while I shall gain riches."^e And their own shepherds do not show any compassion^f upon them.^g

6 "For I shall show compassion no more upon the inhabitants of the land," is the utterance of Jehovah. 'So here I am causing mankind^b to find themselves, each one in the hand of his companion^c and in the hand of his king;^d and they will certainly crush to pieces the land, and I shall do no delivering out of their hand.'^e

7 And I proceeded to shepherd the flock [meant] for the killing,^k in YOUR behalf, O afflicted ones of the flock.^{en} So I took for myself two staffs.^r The one I called Pleasantness,^s and the other I called Union,^{dt} and I went shepherding the flock. ^s And I finally wiped out three shepherds in one lunar month,^u as my soul^{eo} gradually became impatient with them,^v and also their own soul^e felt a loathing toward me.^y At length I said: "I shall not keep shepherding you.^{tz} The one that is dying, let her die.^{*} And the one that is being wiped out, let her be wiped out.^z And as for the ones left remaining, let them devour, each one the flesh of her companion."¹⁰ So I took my staff Pleasant-

^a "Jehovah my God," MVgSyT; "Jehovah almighty [*pan-to-kra'-tôr*]," LXX. ^b M, *ha-a-dam'*. ^c "In YOUR behalf, O afflicted ones of the flock," M. Or, by a regrouping and a change in vowel pointing, "in behalf of the tradesmen of the flock." ^d "Union." Literally, "Binders," M; which result in a union of things. ^e "Soul." M, *neph'esh*; LXX, *psy-chê(ai)'*; Vg, *a'nima*. ^f "You." In the masculine gender, plural number.

ness⁶ and cut it to pieces, in order to break my covenant^a that I had concluded^b with all the peoples.^c ¹¹ And it came to be broken in that day, and the afflicted ones of the flock^c who were watching^{*} me got to know in this way that it was the word of Jehovah.^{*}

12 Then I said to them:^d "If it is good in YOUR^d eyes,^k give [me] my wages; but if not, refrain." And they proceeded to pay^e my wages, thirty pieces of silver.ⁿ

13 At that, Jehovah said to me: "Throw it to the treasury^f—the majestic value with which I have been valued from their standpoint." Accordingly I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw it into the treasury^f at the house of Jehovah.^g

14 Then I cut in pieces my second staff, the Union,^t in order to break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.^u

15 And Jehovah went on to say to me: "Take yet for yourself the implements of a useless shepherd.^v ¹⁶ For here I am letting a shepherd rise up in the land. To the [sheep]^g being wiped out he will give no attention.^y The young one he will not seek, and the broken [sheep] he will not heal.^z The one stationing herself^h he will not supply [with food], and the flesh of the fat one he will eat,^{*} and the hoofs of the

Ps 50:2
Ps 90:17
Zec 11:7
Jer 14:21
Eze 16:59
Isa 14:32
Zep 3:12
Isa 8:17
Lu 2:25
1KI 8:35

1KI 21:2

nEx 21:32
Mt 26:15
Mt 27:9
Mr 14:11
Lu 22:5
Mt 27:5
Mt 27:6

sMt 27:10
Ac 1:18

tZec 11:7

u1KI 11:31
1KI 12:20
Isa 9:21
Isa 11:13
Eze 37:16

vLa 2:14
Eze 34:2
Mt 15:14

yJer 23:2
Eze 34:6

zEze 34:21

*Ge 31:38

^a Possibly, "the covenant of Jehovah," instead of "my covenant." See Zechariah 6:8, footnote a. ^b Possibly, "Jehovah had concluded." See Zechariah 6:8, footnote a. ^c "The afflicted ones of the flock," M. See verse 7, footnote c. ^d The pronoun is in the masculine gender. ^e Literally, "weigh out," M. ^f Or, "founder"; or, "potter." LXX, "smelting furnace." Vg, "statuary." ^g "To the [sheep]." Literally, "to the ones," but in the feminine gender to refer to sheep, symbolically. ^h Or, by a correction in M, "The one made sick"; or, "The hungry one."

[sheep]^a he will tear off.¹⁷ Woe to my worthless shepherd,^a who is leaving the flock!¹⁸ A sword will be upon his arm and upon his right eye.^{*} His own arm will without fail dry up,^{*} and his own right eye will without fail grow dim.^{*}

12 A pronouncement:
"The word of Jehovah concerning Israel," is the utterance of Jehovah, the One who is stretching out [the] heavens^{*} and laying the foundation of [the] earth^{*} and forming the spirit^b of man^c inside him.^k ² "Here I am making Jerusalem a bowl [causing] reeling to all the peoples round about;ⁿ and also against Judah he will come to be in the siege, [even] against Jerusalem.^r ³ And it must occur in that day^s [that] I shall make Jerusalem a burdensome stone to all the peoples.^t All those lifting it will without fail get severe scratches for themselves; and against her all the nations of the earth will certainly be gathered.^u ⁴ In that day,^v is the utterance of Jehovah, "I shall strike every horse with bewilderment^y and its rider with madness; and upon the house of Judah I shall open my eyes,^z and every horse of the peoples I shall strike with loss of sight. ⁵ And the sheiks^{*} of Judah will have to say in their heart, "The inhabitants of Jerusalem are a strength to me by Jehovah of armies^d their God.^e ⁶ In that day I shall make the sheiks of Judah like a fire pot among trees^a and like a fiery torch in a row of newly cut grain,⁶ and they must devour on the right [hand] and on

Eze 34:10
Ge 4:4
Jer 23:1
Eze 13:3
Mt 23:13
Joh 10:12
Jer 50:35
1KI 13:4
Eze 30:22

*Ge 1:1
Ps 104:2
Isa 40:22
Isa 42:5
Isa 45:18
Job 26:7
Ps 102:25
Ps 136:6
Isa 44:24
Isa 48:13
kJob 34:14
Ps 104:29
Ps 146:4
Ec 12:7
Ac 17:25
nPs 75:8
Isa 51:17
rZec 14:14
sZep 3:19
tDa 2:34
Dn 2:45
Mt 21:44
uEze 38:9
Mic 4:11
Zec 14:2
Re 16:14
vIsa 24:21
yDe 28:28
z1KI 8:29
2Ch 6:40
2Ch 7:15
Ne 1:6
Isa 37:17
*Zec 9:7

Ps 18:32
Ps 46:1
Isa 41:10
Joe 3:16
Isa 10:17
Ob 18
Isa 41:15

^a Literally, "of them," but in the feminine gender. ^b "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c "Man." M, *a.dam*. ^d See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*. ^e "God." M, *Elohim*.

the left all the peoples round about;* and Jerusalem must yet be inhabited in her [own] place, in Jerusalem.⁹

7 "And Jehovah will certainly save the tents^o of Judah first, to the end that the beauty of the house of David and the beauty of the inhabitants of Jerusalem may not become too great over Judah.^s In that day Jehovah will be a defense around the inhabitants of Jerusalem;^u and the one that is stumbling among them must become in that day like David,^k and the house of David like God,^{an} like Jehovah's angel before them.^r ⁹ And it must occur in that day [that] I shall seek to annihilate all the nations that are coming against Jerusalem.^s

10 "And I will pour out upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit^b of favor^t and entreaties,^u and they will certainly look to the One whom^c they pierced through,^v and they will certainly wail over him as in the wailing over an only [son]; and there will be a bitter lamentation over him as when there is bitter lamentation over the first-born⁹ [son].^y ¹¹ In that day the wailing in

*Or, "godlike ones." M, *Elohim*; LXX, "God's house"; Vg, *Deus*. Compare Psalm 8:5, footnote b. ^b "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^c "To the One whom," M. On this passage Gesenius' *Hebrew Grammar*, by E. Kautzsch and A. E. Cowley (1949 reprint), says on page 446, in footnote 1 belonging to section 138 (2) e, the following: "In Zechariah 12:10 also, instead of the unintelligible *e-la'i eth a-she'r*, we should probably read *el-a-she'r*, and refer the passage to this class." In two Hebrew manuscripts the written text reads *e-la'i eth a-she'r* ("to me whom"), but the marginal note reads *e-la'iw eth a-she'r* ("to him [or, to the one] whom"). LXX reads: "to me for the reason that"; Vg, "to me whom"; Sy, "to me for him whom"; Th, "to him whom." See German Bible translation by Emil F. Kautzsch (1890): "To that one whom"; also John 19:37.

*Mic 4:13
Zec 9:15
Jer 30:18
Jer 31:38
Zec 2:4
Omt 17:4

*Jer 9:23
1Co 1:29
*Joe 3:17
Zec 2:5
Zec 9:15

kEze 34:24

nPs 45:6
Jer 23:6
Ho 3:5
rEx 23:20
Da 12:1
sIsa 54:17
Hag 2:22

tPr 1:23
Isa 32:15
Isa 44:3
Joe 2:28
Ac 2:17
u2Ch 6:21
Ps 28:2
Jer 31:9
vPs 22:17
Joh 19:34
Re 1:7
eGe 10:15
vJer 6:26
Am 8:10

Jerusalem will be great, like the wailing of Ha-dad-rim'mon in the valley plain of Me-gid'do.^{az} ¹² And the land^b will certainly wail,^r each family by itself;^{c2} the family of the house of David by itself,^a and their women by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan⁹ by itself, and their women by themselves; ¹³ the family of the house of Le'vi^r by itself, and their women by themselves; the family of the Shim'e-ites⁹ by itself, and their women by themselves; ¹⁴ all the families that are left remaining, each family by itself,^c and their women by themselves.

13 "In that day^u there will come to be a well^k opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sinⁿ and for an abhorrent thing.^r

2 "And it must occur in that day," is the utterance of Jehovah of armies,^d "[that] I shall cut off the names of the idols out of the land,^{bs} and they will no more be remembered;^c and also the prophets^t and the spirit^t of uncleanness^s I shall cause to pass out of the land.^b ³ And it must occur [that] in case a man^h should prophesy any more, his father and his mother,^c the ones who caused his birth, must also say to him, 'You will not live, because falsehood is what you have spoken in the name of Jehovah.' And his father and his mother, the ones who

*2Ki 23:29
2Ch 35:22
*Jer 3:21
Jer 4:28
eEx 12:30
*Jer 13:18
2Sa 5:14
Lu 3:31

*Ex 6:16
Mal 2:8

*2Sa 16:5
Ex 6:7
1Ki 1:8
1Ch 3:19

*Zec 12:3

kPs 51:7

nIsa 1:16
Eze 36:25
Joh 1:29
rEze 36:17
Eze 36:29

*Ex 23:13
De 12:3
Isa 2:18
Eze 36:25
Zep 1:4
tJer 8:10
Jer 23:14
Eze 14:9
Omt 1:18

* "Me-gid'do." M, *Me-gid'don*; Vg, *Mageddon*. Compare Revelation 16:16, footnote f. ^b Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*. ^c Literally, "families families apart," M. ^d See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*. ^e Or, "mentioned." ^f "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. See Genesis 1:2, footnote d. ^g Or, "the expression inspired by uncleanness"; or, "the unclean inspired expression." Compare Revelation 16:13, footnote a. ^h "A man." M, *ish*.

caused his birth, must pierce him through because of his prophesying.^u

4 "And it must occur in that day [that] the prophets will become ashamed,^v each one of his vision when he prophesies; and they will not wear an official garment of hair^v for the purpose of telling lies. ⁵ And he will certainly say, 'I am no prophet. I am a man^a cultivating [the] soil, because an earthling man^b himself acquired me from my youth on.' ⁶ And one must say to him, 'What are these wounds^c [on your person] between your hands?'^d And he will have to say, 'Those with which I was struck^e in the house of my intense lovers.'"

7 "O sword, awake against my shepherd,^o even against the able-bodied man who is my associate,^u is the utterance of Jehovah of armies.^f "Strike the shepherd,^g and let those of the flock be scattered;^h and I shall certainly turn my hand back upon those who are insignificant."^g

8 "And it must occur in all the land,"^h is the utterance of Jehovah, "[that] two parts in it are what will be cut off [and] expire;ⁱ and as for the third [part], it will be left remaining in it."^o And I shall certainly bring the third [part] through the fire;^k and I shall actually refine them as in the refining of silver,ⁿ and examine them as in the examining of gold.^r It, for its part, will call upon my name, and I, for

^a "A man." M, *ish*. ^b "An earthling man." M, *adam*; LXX, *an-thro-pos*; Vg, "Adam [was (is) my example]." ^c Or, "strokes." ^d "[On your person] between your hands?" M, *bein ya-dei'kha*. "Upon your breast."—Emil F. Kautzsch, 1890. ^e Or, "wounded." ^f See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*. ^g Or, "the boy keepers." M, *iso'a-rim*; LXX, "the shepherds"; LXX^B, "the little ones" (masculine); Vg, "the little ones" (masculine); Sy, "the superior (great) ones." ^h Or, "earth." M, *er'ets*.

uDe 13:6
De 13:9
De 18:20
Mt 10:37
vJer 2:26
Mic 3:7

y2Kl 1:8
Mt 3:4

oIsa 40:11
Eze 34:23
Mic 5:4

Joh 10:11
Heb 13:20
1Pe 5:4

APr 8:30
Joh 10:30
Joh 17:5

oIsa 53:8
Da 9:26
Mr 14:27

Re 13:8
Mt 26:31
Mr 14:50

Joh 16:32
Jer 14:3
Isa 65:12

Ge 6:17
Isa 6:13
Joe 2:32

Am 9:8
Mt 24:22
Ro 9:27

Ro 11:5
kIsa 43:2
Mal 3:2

nPs 66:10
Isa 48:10
rMal 3:3

1Pe 1:7

uIsa 58:9

tJer 30:22
Ro 9:25

uPs 144:15
Re 21:7

Mt 1:20
vIsa 2:12

Isa 13:6
Isa 13:9

Joe 2:31
Mal 4:5

2Pe 3:10
Re 16:14

Mt 24:6
Mt 4:5

zJer 34:1
Joe 3:2

Mt 22:7
Lu 19:43

Lu 21:20
Isa 13:16

Isa 5:11
Lu 21:24

Isa 65:8
Mt 24:22

Isa 65:18
Re 21:2

Isa 66:15
Eze 38:23

Joe 3:16
Re 16:14

Ex 15:3
Jos 10:42

2Ch 20:15
kEze 11:23

nIsa 64:1
rMic 1:4

Ac 1:12
Mt 21:1

tJoe 3:12

uLu 21:21

my part, will answer it.^a I will say, 'It is my people,'^b and it, in its turn, will say, 'Jehovah is my God.'^u

14 "Look! There is a day coming, belonging to Jehovah,^o and the spoil of you^b will certainly be apportioned out in the midst of you.^b ² And I shall certainly gather all the nations against Jerusalem for the war;^o and the city^o will actually be captured^a and the houses be pillaged,^a and the women themselves will be raped.^a And half of the city must go forth into the exile;^g but as for the remaining ones^c of the people,^a they will not be cut off from the city.^g

3 "And Jehovah will certainly go forth and war against those nations^a as in the day of his warring, in the day of fight.^a ⁴ And his feet will actually stand in that day upon the mountain of the olive trees,^{dk} which is in front of Jerusalem, on the east;ⁿ and the mountain^r of the olive trees^{ds} must be split at its middle, from the sunrising and to the west.^o There will be a very great valley;^t and half of the mountain will actually be moved to the north, and half of it to the south.^f ⁵ And you people will certainly flee to the valley of my mountains;^u because the valley of [the] mountains will reach all the way to A'zel.^h And you will actually flee, just as you fled because of the [earth]quake in the

^a "God." M, *Elo-him*. ^b "You." In the feminine gender, singular number; to refer to the city. ^c Or, "the remnant"; or, "the rest." ^d Or, "the Mount of Olives." ^e Literally, "the sea"; that is, the Mediterranean Sea to the west. ^f Or, "the Neg'eb." M, *g* Or, possibly, "the mountain of Jehovah." See Zechariah 6:8, footnote a. ^h Not far from Jerusalem. There may be an echoing of this name in that of the *Wady Yasul*, which is an afflux to the Kidron Valley from the Mount of Olives.

days of Uzzi'ah the king of Judah.^u And Jehovah my God^a will certainly come,^v all the holy ones being with him.^{by}

6 "And it must occur in that day [that] there will prove to be no precious light^z—things will be congealed.* And it must become one day that is known as belonging to Jehovah.^z It will not be day, neither will it be night;^{ca} and it must occur [that] at evening^o time it will become light.^p And it must occur in that day [that] living waters^a will go forth from Jerusalem,^z half of them to the eastern sea^c and half of them to the western sea.^d In summer^o and in winter^e it will occur.^o And Jehovah must become king over all the earth.^f In that day Jehovah will prove to be one,^g and his name one.^k

10 "The whole land will be changed like the Ar'a.bah,^{gn} from Ge'ba^r to Rim'monⁿ to the south^h of Jerusalem; and she must rise and become inhabited in her place,^t from the gate of Benjamin^u all the way to the place of the First Gate, all the way to the Corner Gate, and [from] the Tower of Han'an-el^v all the way to the press vats of the king.¹¹ And people will certainly inhabit her; and there will occur no more any banning [to destruction],^y and Jerusalem must be inhabited in security.^z

12 "And this is what will prove to be the scourge with which Jehovah will scourge all the peoples that will actually do military service against Jerusalem;^o There will be a rotting

uIsa 29:6
Am 1:1
Mt 6:24
vPs 96:13
Ps 98:9
Isa 66:16
Jude 14
yDe 33:2
Ps 149:9
Joe 3:11
zPs 97:11
Ps 112:4
Pr 4:18
*Ex 15:8
Mt 2:14
Ge 1:5
pMt 5:14
gMt 3:11
zPs 118:24
1Th 5:2
2Th 2:2
Am 5:18
Isa 30:26
Ge 8:22
Jer 17:13
Eze 47:1
Joe 3:18
Joh 4:10
Joh 7:38
Re 22:1
Isa 35:7
Isa 41:18
Isa 49:10
Ps 97:1
Re 19:6
De 6:4
Mal 2:10
Ro 3:30
Ga 3:20
kIsa 42:8
Isa 44:6
nDe 1:7
rIKI 15:22
sCh 4:32
tJer 30:18
uJer 37:13
Eze 48:32
vNe 3:1
yIsa 60:18
Jer 31:40
Joe 3:17
zJer 23:6
Jer 33:16
Ps 110:5
Isa 66:16
Joe 3:2
Mic 4:11
Re 16:14

* "God." M, *El-o-him'*. ^b "Him," LXXVgSyT and three Hebrew manuscripts; "you," M. ^c Or, "former sea." ^d Or, "hinder sea." That is, to one's back when one faces east. ^e Or, "autumn"; that is, the beginning of winter. ^f Or, "land." M, *er'ets*. ^g Or, "desert plain." See Deuteronomy 1:1, footnote c. ^h "South." M, *neg'eb*.

Mt 16:17
Mal 1:5
2Ch 21:15
2Ch 21:19
Ac 12:23

Jg 7:22
Isa 14:15
2Ki 7:6
Eze 38:21

2Ch 14:13
2Ch 20:25
Isa 23:18
Ge 47:17
Ge 12:16

Isa 66:19
Joe 2:32
Ac 15:17
Isa 66:23
Mal 1:11
Ps 86:9
Jer 48:15
Mal 1:14
kPs 24:3
Isa 6:5
Jer 46:18
nLe 23:34
Ne 8:14
Ho 12:9
Joh 7:2
rIsa 45:23
Isa 60:12
sGe 10:32
Jer 10:25
Am 3:2
Mt 2:13
tDe 11:17
IKI 8:35
Isa 5:6

away of one's flesh,^o while one is standing upon one's feet;^a and one's very eyes^c will rot away in their sockets, and one's very tongue will rot away in one's mouth.

13 "And it must occur in that day [that] confusion from Jehovah will become widespread among them;^o and they will actually grab hold, each one of the hand of his companion, and his hand will actually come up against the hand of his companion.¹⁴ And Judah itself also will be warring at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the nations round about will certainly be gathered, gold and silver and garments in excessive abundance.^z

15 "And this is how the scourge of the horse,^o the mule, the camel,^o and the male ass, and every sort of domestic animal that happens to be in those camps, will prove to be, like this scourge.

16 "And it must occur [that], as regards everyone who is left remaining out of all the nations that are coming against Jerusalem,^o they must also go up from year to year^z to bow down to the King,^z Jehovah of armies,^{ak} and to celebrate the festival of the booths.ⁿ ¹⁷ And it must occur that, as regards anyone that does not come up^r out of the families^s of the earth to Jerusalem to bow down to the King, Jehovah of armies,^a even upon them no pouring rain will occur.^t ¹⁸ And if the family of Egypt^o itself does not come up and does not actually enter, upon them also there shall be none. The scourge will occur^b with which Jehovah scourges the

* See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*.

^b LXXSy read: "upon them also there will be the calamity (scourge)."

nations that do not come up to celebrate the festival of the booths. ¹⁹ This itself will prove to be the [punishment for the] sin of Egypt and the sin of all the nations that do not come up to celebrate the festival of the booths.^v

20 "In that day there will prove to be^v upon the bells^z of the horse 'Holiness belongs to Jehovah!'" And the widemouthed cooking pots^o in the house of Jehovah must become like the bowls^a before the altar. ²¹ And every widemouthed cooking pot in Jerusalem and in Judah must become something holy belonging to Jehovah of armies,^a and all those who are sacrificing must come in and take from them and must do boiling in them.^o And there will no more prove to be a Ca'naan-ite^b in the house of Jehovah of armies^a in that day."^o

^c See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*.
^b "Ca'naan-ite." Or, "tradesman," as in VgT.

MALACHI^a

1 A pronouncement: The word of Jehovah concerning Israel by the hand of Mal'a-^bchi:^b

2 "I have loved you people,"^o Jehovah has said.

And you have said: "In what way have you loved us?"^a

"Was not E'sau the brother of Jacob?" is the utterance of Jehovah. "But I proceeded to love Jacob,^o and E'sau I have hated;^a and I finally

^a Meaning "My Messenger"; or, if the name is an abbreviation, "Messenger [Angel] of Jehovah." See Zechariah 6:8, footnote a; Judges 19:18, footnote b. LXX, *Ma-la-ki'as*. ^b "Mal'a-^bchi," MvGsyT; "his messenger (angel)," LXX.

vJoh 3:19

yMal 1:11

zEx 28:33

*Ex 28:36

Ex 39:30

Ps 110:3

o1Sa 2:14

aEx 25:29

Ex 37:16

Nu 4:7

2Ch 4:8

oDe 12:7

De 16:7

Isa 2:13

Isa 46:23

*Isa 35:8

Eze 44:9

Re 21:27

o1Ti 3:15

*Hab 1:1

oDe 7:8

Isa 41:8

Ro 11:28

aIsa 49:14

oGe 25:23

Ge 28:3

Ge 32:28

Ro 9:13

*Heb 12:16

cMt 5:5

eIsa 34:9

Eze 25:13

Joe 3:19

Ob 10

*Isa 13:22

Isa 34:13

*Isa 9:10

Jas 4:13

kJob 12:14

Ps 127:1

nAm 6:2

rPs 137:7

Isa 34:5

Ob 18

eGe 3:22

pMt 5:29

sDe 4:3

Lu 10:23

oGe 10:19

tPs 35:27

Ps 83:18

Eze 39:21

uEx 20:12

Mr 10:19

Eph 6:2

v1Ti 6:1

Tit 2:9

yEx 4:22

Pr 30:11

Isa 1:2

Mt 6:9

Mt 15:4

zJer 5:31

Jer 23:11

Eze 22:26

oIsa 19:19

oMt 4:3

*Ho 12:8

Lu 10:29

oLe 21:6

a1Sa 2:17

Eze 41:22

1Co 10:21

1Co 11:22

pMt 11:5

oLe 22:19

De 15:21

a "E'dom." Meaning "Red; Ruddy." The nickname given to E'sau, according to Genesis 25:30; 36:1. b See Zechariah 1:3, footnote c. Luther German, *der Herr Tsebaoth*. In Mal'a-^bchi's prophecy "Jehovah of armies" occurs 24 times. c Or, "boundary (border)." d "Grand master." M, *a-do-nim*; the plural number of *a-dōn*, but evidently the plural of excellence or grandeur.

made his mountains a desolated waste^o and his inheritance^c for the jackals of [the] wilderness."^o

4 "Because E'dom^a keeps saying, 'We have been shattered, but we shall return and build [the] devastated places,'" this is what Jehovah of armies^b has said, 'They, for their part, will build; but I, for my part, shall tear down.^k And people will certainly call them "the territory^o of wickedness" and "the people whom Jehovah has denounced^r to time^o indefinite."^o

^s And YOUR own eyes^p will see [it],^s and YOU yourselves will say, "May Jehovah be magnified over the territory^o of Israel." "^o

6 "A son, for his part, honors a father;^u and a servant, his grand master.^{dv} So if I am a father, where is the honor to me?^v And if I am a grand master,^d where is the fear of me?" Jehovah of armies^b has said to you, O priests who are despising my name.^z

"And you have said: "In what way have we despised your name?" "^o

7 " '[By] presenting upon my altar^o polluted bread.'^o

"And you have said: "In what way have we polluted you?" "^o

"By your saying: "The table of Jehovah is something to be despised."^a ^s And when YOU present a blind^p [animal] for sacrificing: "It is nothing bad." And when you present a lame [animal] or a sick one: "It is nothing bad." "^o

"Bring it near, please, to your governor. Will he find pleasure in you, or will he receive you kindly?"^a Jehovah of armies^a has said.

9 "And now, please, soften the face of God,^b that he may show us favor." From YOUR hand this has occurred. Will he receive any of you men kindly?"^c Jehovah of armies^a has said.

10 "Who also is there among YOU that will shut the doors? And YOU men will not light my altar—for nothing.^k No delight do I have in you," Jehovah of armies^a has said, "and in the gift offering from YOUR hand I take no pleasure."ⁿ

11 "For from the sun's rising even to its setting my name will be great among the nations,^r and in every place sacrificial smoke^a will be made, a presentation will be made to my name, even a clean gift;^t because my name will be great among the nations,"^u Jehovah of armies^a has said.

12 "But you men are profaning me^v by YOUR

*Job 42:8
Ho 8:13
Ex 32:11
Jer 26:19
*2Ch 30:27
Joe 1:14
Joe 2:17
Joh 9:31
*1Pe 2:17

k Isa 56:11
Jer 6:13
Mic 3:11
Joh 10:12
Tit 1:7
1Pe 5:2
n Jer 14:12
r Ps 113:3
Isa 59:19
Zec 14:16
*Ps 66:15
Ro 12:1
Heb 13:15
t Isa 66:20
Joh 4:23
u Ps 22:27
Mic 5:4
Zep 3:9
Mt 28:19
Re 15:4
v Eze 22:8
Eze 22:26
Eze 36:20

saying, 'The table of Jehovah^a is something polluted, and its fruit is something to be despised, its food.'^y ¹³ And you have said, 'Look! What a weariness!'^z and YOU have caused a sniffing at it," Jehovah of armies^b has said. "And you have brought something torn away, and the lame one, and the sick one;^a yes, you have brought [it] as a gift. Can I take pleasure in it at your hand?"^{10a} Jehovah has said.

14 "And cursed^o is the one acting cunningly when there exists in his drove a male animal,^o and he is making a vow and sacrificing a ruined one to Jehovah.^o For I am a great King,"^o Jehovah of armies^b has said, "and my name will be fear-inspiring among the nations."^a

2 "And now this commandment^p is to YOU, O priests.^a If you will not listen,^k and if you will not lay [it] to heartⁿ to give glory^o to my name,^r Jehovah of armies^b has said, "I shall also certainly send upon YOU the curse, and I will curse YOUR blessings.^a Yes, I have even cursed the [blessing],^d because YOU are not laying [it] to heart."

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^a "Jehovah," LXXVgSyT; *A.do.nay'*, M. This is one of the 134 passages in which the Jewish Sopherim claim that they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *A.do.nay'* instead of *Y'ho.wah'*.

^b See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^c "Jehovah," 16 Hebrew manuscripts and five Hebrew printed editions, VgSyT. *A.do.nay'*, M; "the Lord," LXX. See verse 12, footnote a. ^d "The [blessing]." Literally, "it," M; in the feminine gender, to refer to blessing (feminine in gender).

^a See verse 4, footnote b. ^b Or, "the Divine One." M, *El*; LXX, *ho The.os*; Vg, *De'us*; Sy, "Jehovah." ^c "Me." Here occurred one of the emendations of the Jewish Sopherim, or *tigguni sopherim*. Compare Genesis 18:22, footnote a. Says Ginsburg's *Introduction to the Massoretic-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible* (1897), on pages 362, 363, ¶ 3, 4: "The oldest Massorah in the St. Petersburg Codex of A.D. 916, which registers these alterations of the Sopherim, adds two more examples which are not given in any of the ancient documents. And though the catchwords are simply given without mentioning what the original reading was which the Sopherim altered, there is no difficulty in ascertaining it by the light of the other Sopheric alteration and by bearing in mind the principle which underlies these changes. ¶ The catchword for the first change is *m'hhallilim'* = Malachi I 12. This indicates that originally the text was: *m'hhallilim' o-thi' 'ye have polluted me'* (compare Ezek. XIII 19), and that *o-thi' me* has been altered into *o-tho' him*, in accordance with the same alteration which we are told the Sopherim made in verse 13, [See bottom of next page.]

3 "Look! I am rebuking on YOUR account the [sown] seed, and I will scatter fecal matter^a over YOUR faces,^t the fecal matter of YOUR festivals;^o and someone will actually carry YOU away to it. ⁴ And you will have to know that I have sent to YOU this commandment,^u in order that my covenant with Le'vi^b may continue,^v Jehovah of armies^c has said.

5 "As for my covenant, it proved to be with him, [one] of life and of peace,^y and I kept giving them to him, with fear.^z And he continued fearing me; yes, because of my name he himself was struck with terror.^{*} ⁶ The very law^o of truth^d proved to be in his mouth,^q and there was no unrighteousness to be found on his lips. In peace and in uprightness he walked with me,^a and many were those whom he turned back from error.^o ⁷ For the lips of a priest^p are the ones that should keep knowledge,^o and [the] law is what people should seek from his mouth;⁺ for he is the messenger^e of Jehovah of armies.^o

8 "But you men—you have turned aside from the way.^{*} You have caused many to stumble in the law.^h You have ruined the covenant of Le'vi,^h Jehovah of armies^c has said. ⁹ "And I also, for my part, shall certainly make YOU to be despised and low to all the people,ⁿ according as YOU were not keeping my ways, but were showing partiality in the law."^r

10 "Is it not one father^o that all of us have?^s Is it not one God^o that has created^p us?^t Why

^a "Fecal matter." Or, possibly, "the contents of the stomach."
^b "Le'vi," M, *Le.wi*; LXX, "the Levites." ^c See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^d Or, "truthfulness; trueness." M, *em.eth*. ^e "Messenger." M, *mal.akh*; LXX, *an'gelos*; Vg, *an'gelus*. ^f "Le'vi." M, *hal-Le.wi*; LXX, *ho Le.wi*. ^g "God." M, *El*; LXX, *The.os*; Vg, *De'us*.

tPr 30:12
Na 3:6
uJer 28:9
Eze 33:33
oEx 10:9
vNu 18:23
Eze 44:15
yNu 3:6
Nu 25:12
zEx 32:26
De 33:8
*Ps 19:9
Ps 111:10
Heb 5:7
oMt 10:13
pMt 10:28
oEze 44:24
Joh 1:14
Tit 1:9
oMt 5:17
qGe 4:11
oGe 5:24
Ge 6:9
Lu 1:8
oDa 12:3
Lu 1:16
Ac 26:18
Jas 5:19
oRo 1:27
pMt 12:3
oLu 1:77
*Le 10:11
2Ch 17:9
Ne 8:8
1Pe 2:5
oHag 1:13
2Co 5:20
*Isa 30:11
Heb 18:15
*Lu 11:52
kNe 12:29
nDa 13:2
Mic 3:7
rDe 1:17
Jas 2:9
sIsa 51:2
1Co 8:6
tPs 100:3
Isa 43:1
Ac 17:25
oMt 3:9
oMt 6:24
pMt 19:4

is it that we deal treacherously with one another,^u in profaning the covenant of our forefathers?^v ¹¹ Judah has dealt treacherously, and a detestable^o thing has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem;^y for Judah has profaned the holiness of Jehovah,^z which He has loved,^o and he has taken possession of the daughter^p of a foreign god^a as a bride.^{*} ¹² Jehovah will cut off each one that does it,^o one who is awake and one who is answering,^a from the tents of Jacob, and one who is presenting a gift offering^o to Jehovah of armies."^b

13 "And this is the second thing that you people do, [this resulting in] covering with tears the altar of Jehovah, with weeping and sighing, so that there is no more a turning toward the gift offering or a taking of pleasure [in anything] from YOUR hand.^{*} ¹⁴ And you have said, 'On what account?'^o On this account, that Jehovah himself has borne witness between^{*} you and the wife^o of your youth,^{*} with whom you yourself have dealt treacherously, although she is your partner and the wife of your covenant.^k ¹⁵ And there was one who did not do [it], as he had what was remaining^o of [the] spirit. And what was that one seeking? The seed of God.^{dn} And you people must guard yourselves respecting YOUR spirit,^{eor} and with the wife of your youth may no one deal treacherously. ¹⁶ For he has hated a divorcing,"^{fs} Jehovah the God^d of Israel has said; "and the

uMic 7:2
Mt 10:21
1Co 6:6
vJos 23:16
oGe 43:32
yJer 7:10
zLe 20:26
oMt 5:43
pGe 5:4
*Jg 3:6
1Ki 11:1
Ne 13:23
oLe 20:3
Nu 15:30
oMt 15:14
oGe 4:5
1Sa 15:22
Mr 12:33
*Pr 21:27
Isa 1:11
oPr 30:20
Jer 8:12
*Ge 31:50
Jer 42:5
oMt 1:20
*Pr 5:18
Ec 9:9
kGe 2:18
Pr 2:17
Mt 19:5
nGe 3:15
Ac 3:25
Ga 3:16
oMt 8:16
rPr 16:18
Pr 25:28
sMt 5:32
Mr 10:9

^a "God." M, *el*; LXX, *the.oi* ("gods"); Vg, *de'us*. ^b See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^c "What was remaining." Or, more literally, "the remnant (remainder)." M, *sh'ar*. ^d "God." M, *El.ohim*; LXX, *ho The.os*; Vg, *De'us*. ^e "Spirit." M, *ru'ahh*; LXX, *pneu'ma*; Vg, *spir'itus*. ^f Or, more literally, "a sending away," M.

one who with violence has covered over his garment,"^t Jehovah of armies^a has said. "And YOU must guard yourselves respecting YOUR spirit,^b and you must not deal treacherously.^m

17 "You people have made Jehovah weary by YOUR words,^u and you have said, 'In what way have we made [him] weary?' By YOUR saying, 'Everyone that is doing bad is good in the eyes of Jehovah, and in such ones he himself has taken delight';^v or, 'Where is the God^c of justice?' "^y

3 "Look! I am sending my messenger,^{dz} and he must clear up a way^o before me.* And suddenly there will come to His temple the [true] Lord,^{eo} whom YOU people are seeking, and the messenger^{fa} of the covenant^{eo} in whom you are delighting.* Look! he will certainly come," Jehovah of armies^a has said.

2 "But who will be putting up with the day of his coming,^g and who will be the one standing when he appears?^x For he will be like the fire^o of a refiner^k and like the lye of laundrymen.^k ³ And he must sit as a refiner and purifier of silverⁿ and must purify the sons of Le'vi;^{gpr} and he must clarify them like gold^o and like silver, and they will certainly become to Jehovah people presenting a gift offering in righteous-

^a See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^b "Spirit." M, *ru'akh*; LXX, *pneuma*; Vg, *spiritus*. ^c "God." M, *Elohim*; LXX, *ho Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^d "My messenger." M, *mal'akhi*. See title of prophecy, footnote a. ^e "The [true] Lord." M, *ha-A-don*; LXX, *Kyrios* ("Jehovah"); Vg, *Do-mina-tor*. Compare Exodus 23:17, footnote c; Exodus 34:23, footnote e; also Isaiah 1:24; 3:1; 10:16; 10:33; 19:4, and their footnotes. These are the eight instances in which the expression *ha-A-don* occurs in M. ^f "Messenger." Or, "angel." M, *mal'akh*; LXX, *an'gelos*; Vg, *an'gelus*. ^g "Le'vi." M, *Le-wi*. Compare Malachi 2:8, footnote f.

tPs 11:5
Ps 73:6
Isa 59:6
mIsa 24:16
Jer 5:11
Ho 5:7
uIsa 1:14
Isa 7:13
Jer 15:6
vPr 30:12
Eze 18:29
Mt 15:6
yPs 37:28
Isa 58:2
Zep 1:12
Heb 2:2
zMt 11:10
Lu 1:76
Lu 7:27
Joh 1:6
Isa 40:3
Joh 3:28
Ac 13:24
Ac 19:4
oPs 3:24
oPs 11:4
Isa 6:1
Re 11:19
aIsa 63:9
Re 7:2
oMt 26:28
oGe 12:2
Ex 2:24
Lu 1:72
2Ti 4:8
gAm 5:18
Mt 24:46
*Mt 24:13
Re 6:17
oGe 15:17
*Zec 13:9
1Co 3:13
k2K1 18:17
Isa 7:3
Jer 2:22
pGe 29:34
oMt 2:11
nPr 25:4
Isa 1:25
1Pe 1:7
rJer 33:18
Re 1:6

sPs 69:30
Heb 13:15
oMt 2:1

t2Ch 7:1
Jer 2:2

uHeb 10:30
Jude 15
oMt 23:31

pMt 5:27
vJer 29:23
Mic 1:2
yRe 21:8
oGe 30:18
zEx 20:7
qEx 22:22

oGe 15:13
*Jas 5:4
oLu 20:47
aEx 23:9
oLu 23:40
oGe 15:7
Ex 6:2
nNu 23:19
Heb 6:18
Jas 1:17
*Ps 105:8
La 3:22
Ro 11:29
Php 1:6
*De 9:7
Ac 7:51
kDe 4:30
Jer 3:12
Zec 1:3

nPr 3:9
Mt 22:21

oGe 14:20
oEx 25:2
rNu 18:21
Ne 13:10
sLe 24:15
Job 1:5
Isa 8:21

ness.*⁴ And the gift offering of Judah and of Jerusalem^o will actually be gratifying to Jehovah, as in the days of long ago and as in the years of antiquity.^t

5 "And I will come near to YOU people for the judgment,^u and I will become a speedy witness^v against the sorcerers,^v and against the adulterers,^v and against those swearing falsely,^z and against those acting fraudulently with the wages^o of a wage worker,^g with [the] widow^q and with [the] fatherless^a boy, and those turning away the alien^o resident,^a while they have not feared me,"^g Jehovah of armies^a has said.

6 "For I am Jehovah;ⁱ I have not changed.^o And you are sons of Jacob; you have not come to YOUR finish.*⁷ From the days of YOUR forefathers you have turned aside from my regulations and have not kept [them].* Return to me, and I will return to you,"^k Jehovah of armies^a has said.

And you have said: "In what way shall we return?"

8 "Will earthling man^b rob God?^{en} But you are robbing me."

And you have said: "In what way have we robbed you?"

"In the tenth^o parts^d and in the contributions.^{or} ⁹ With the curse YOU are cursing [me],^{es} and me YOU are robbing—the nation in its entirety.¹⁰ Bring all the tenth parts^d into the

^a See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^b "Earthling man." M, *a-dam*; LXX, *an'thro-pos*; Vg, *ho'mo*. ^c "God." M, *Elohim*; LXX, *Theos*; Vg, *Deus*. ^d "Tenth parts." Or, "tithes." ^e "You are cursing [me]." M, *ma'arim*. In support of this, Gesenius' *Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible*, pages 362, 363, says: "The oldest Massorah in the St. Petersburg Codex of A.D. 916, which registers these alterations of [See bottom of next page.]

storehouse, that there may come to be food in my house;^t and test me out, please, in this respect.”^u Jehovah of armies^a has said, “whether I shall not open to YOU people the floodgates of the heavens^{cv} and actually empty out upon you a blessing until there is no more want.”^y

11 “And I will rebuke for YOU the devouring one,^{bz} and it will not ruin for YOU the fruit^o of the ground, nor will the vine in the field prove fruitless for YOU,”^z Jehovah of armies^a has said.

12 “And all the nations^o will actually pronounce YOU happy,^z for YOU yourselves will become a land of delight,”^a Jehovah of armies^a has said.

13 “Strong have been YOUR words against me,”^o Jehovah has said.

And YOU have said: “What have we spoken with one another against you?”^z

14 “You have said, ‘It is of no value to serve God.’^o And what profit is there in that we have

[Continued from bottom of previous page.] the Sopherim, adds two more examples which are not given in any of the ancient documents. . . . The catchword for the second change is *qo.b'yim'* [are robbing] which manifestly refers to Malachi III 9. The original reading here was: ‘with a curse ye have cursed’ (*m'a.r'im'*), the active participle as is evident from the parallelism:

Ye have cursed with a curse

And ye have robbed me.

“As this cursing was pronounced against God which was blasphemy in the highest degree, the active was changed into the passive by the substitution of *Nun* [נ] for *Mem* [מ] which now makes this clause quite detached from the rest of the sentence. The anxiety to mitigate this clause is also seen from the recension which the Greek translators had before them since the Septuagint [LXX] exhibits *bam.mar.eh' at.tem' ro.im'* in a vision ye have seen.” M, “you are cursed” (*ne-a-rim'*).

^a See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^b Or, “the eater”; referring to an insect. ^c “God.” M, *El-o-him'*; LXX, *The-os'*; Vg, *De'us*.

(2Ch 31:11
Ne 12:44
Pr 3:9
uIKl 17:13
2Co 9:8
CMt 3:2
vDe 28:12
2K4 7:19
yLe 26:10
2Ch 31:10
Lu 5:6
CMt 7:17
zJoe 1:4
Am 4:9
Am 7:1

CMt 6:32
De 11:14
Joe 2:22
Zec 8:12
vPs 72:17
Isa 61:9
De 8:7
Isa 62:4
Da 11:41
Isa 5:19
Isa 28:14
2Th 2:4
Job 40:8
Mal 1:6

Job 21:15
Isa 58:3

Zec 7:5
Jas 4:9
vPs 49:18
Pr 21:24
Ac 12:22
kJer 12:1
Mt 4:7
nEc 8:11
Ge 22:12
Ac 9:31
vPr 13:20
Ac 4:23
Eph 5:19
1Th 5:11
Heb 10:24
CMt 1:1
tMt 18:19
Ac 4:31
uDa 7:10
Re 20:12
vPs 20:7
Isa 26:8
yJer 31:33
Joh 17:9
zEx 19:5
Isa 62:3
1Pe 2:9
Ro 12:1
pMt 8:12
vPs 103:13
Ro 8:32
2Co 6:18
CMt 9:13
vGe 18:25
Ro 2:6
Da 12:3
Mt 13:43
CMt 7:22
vPs 21:9
Mt 13:42
2Th 1:8
Isa 5:24
Ob 18
Mt 3:12
vJob 18:16
vPs 84:11
Isa 30:26
Re 21:23
pMt 5:6
vRu 2:12
Ps 147:3
Ec 3:3
Jer 30:17
Jer 33:6

kept the obligation to him, and that we have walked dejectedly on account of Jehovah of armies?^a ¹⁰ And at present we are pronouncing presumptuous people happy.^z Also, the doers of wickedness have been built up.^k Also, they have tested God^b out and keep getting away.”ⁿ

16 At that time those in fear of Jehovah^r spoke with one another, each one with his companion,^s and Jehovah kept paying attention and listening.^t And a book^o of remembrance^c began to be written up before him^u for those in fear of Jehovah and for those thinking upon his name.^v

17 “And they will certainly become mine,”^y Jehovah of armies^a has said, “at the day when I am producing a special property.^z And I will show compassion^o upon them, just as a man^d shows compassion upon his son^p who is serving him.”¹⁸ And you people will again certainly see^e [the distinction] between a righteous^o one and a wicked one,^z between one serving God^b and one who has not served him.”^a

4 “For,^f look! the day^o is coming that is burning like the furnace,^g and all the presumptuous ones and all those doing wickedness must become as stubble.” And the day that is coming will certainly devour them,” Jehovah of armies^a has said, “so that it will not leave to them either root or bough.”² And to you who are in fear of my name the sun of righteousness^p will certainly shine forth,^z with healing in its wings;^z and you

^a See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^b “God.” M, *El-o-him'*; LXX, *The-os'*; Vg, *De'us*. ^c Or, “record.” ^d “Man.” M, *ish*. ^e “Will again certainly see.” More literally, “will certainly return and see.” M. ^f This is verse 19 in M, and chapter 3 continues on to the end of Mal'a-ehi's prophecy; but here chapter 4 begins in LXXVgSyT.

will actually go forth and paw the ground like fattened calves."^k

3 "And you people will certainly tread down [the] wicked^o ones, for they will become as powder under the soles of YOUR feet in the day on which I am acting,"ⁿ Jehovah of armies^a has said.

4 "REMEMBER the law of Moses my servant with which I commanded^o him in Ho'reb^p concerning all Israel,^q even regulations and judicial^c decisions.^{br}

5 "Look! I am sending to you people Eli'jah^c the prophet^s before the coming of the great and fear-inspiring day of Jehovah.^t ^e And he must turn the heart^o of fathers back toward sons, and the heart of sons back toward fathers; in order that I may not come and actually strike the earth^{dp} with a devoting [of it] to destruction."^{eu}

^a See Malachi 1:4, footnote b. ^b The LXX reverses verse 4 and the concluding verses to make the prophecy end with this verse, so that thus the prophecy ends on a hopeful note. This conforms to the Jewish custom of not closing a book of the Holy Scriptures with words of condemnation and hence their custom of repeating a hopeful verse at the end of a book. ^c "Eli'jah." M, *Eliyah*; LXXVg, "Eli'as." ^d Or, "land." M, *er'ets*; LXX, *gē*; Vg, *ter'ra*. ^e Or, "with a ban." Because of this ending to the prophecy the Jewish custom is to repeat verse 5 after the close of this book, that is, verse 23 in M. The Jewish custom is to make like repetitions at the end of Isaiah, Lamentations and Ecclesiastes, as here in Malachi.

kIsa 49:9
Jer 50:11

oMt 22:18

nGe 3:15
Mic 7:10
Zec 10:5
Ro 16:20

pGe 2:16
pEx 3:1
qMt 2:6

oMt 7:2
rDe 4:5
Ps 147:19
Mt 5:17
Mt 22:40
sIsa 40:3
Mt 11:14
Mr 9:11
eMt 5:3
tAc 2:20
2Pe 3:10

pMt 5:18
uDe 29:20
Zec 14:11
Re 22:3

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Genesis 2:4 — "history"

(to-*lādōth'*, תולדות, Hebrew; *he bib'los gene'se-ōs*, ἡ βίβλος γενέσεως ["the book of source (generation)"], Greek)

The Hebrew word *to-*lādōth'** pon (1939), and by the Monks of Maredsous (1949), all these reading "histoire"; and by the Spanish Bible edition by J. M. Bover and F. Cantera Burgos (1947), reading "historia." The nart (1951), by Canon A. Cram-

Scriptures, by the American rabbi and journalist, Isaac Leeser, renders the word in the customary way as "generations," but has the footnote thereon: "The history of the creation."—MENDELSSOHN." The Bible edition sponsored by the Episcopal Committee of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and translated by members of the Catholic Biblical Association of America (1948—), renders the Hebrew word as "story," but has the footnote thereon: "Story: or history. Literally: 'generations.'"

Gesenius' *Hebrew and Chaldean Lexicon of the Old Testament Scriptures*, as translated by Samuel Prideaux Tregelles, LL.D. (1859), says, on page 859, under the Hebrew word *to-l'dōth*: "(2) *history*, properly of families. Gen. 6:9, *El'leh to-l'dōth No'ahh* 'this is the history of Noah.' Genesis 37:2; and thus also applied to the *origin* of other things. Gen. 2:4, 'this is the origin of the heaven and earth.' (Compare *ya'hhas* and Syriac *shar'ba* family, genealogy, history.)"

Says P. J. Wiseman, C.B.E., in his book entitled "New Discoveries in Babylonia About Genesis" (fourth edition, 1946), in chapter 5, entitled "The Key That Unlocks the Book," pages 45ff: "The master-key to the discovery of the composition of the Book of Genesis is to be found in the proper use of the

phrase, 'These are the generations of . . . ' If this key is handled properly, it will be seen that it solves every literary difficulty, critical or otherwise. ¶ All scholars appear to agree that this is the most significant and distinguishing phrase in the Book. For example, Dr. Driver says (*Genesis*, p.ii), 'The narrative of Genesis is cast into a framework, or scheme, marked by the recurring formula "*these are the generations* (lit., begettings) of . . . ' The entire narrative as we now possess it is accommodated to it.' . . . The formula is used eleven times in Genesis. As to its importance there can be no doubt, for so significant did the Septuagint translators regard it, that they gave the whole Book the title 'Genesis,' the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew word translated 'generations.' ¶ . . . in fact, the main history of the person named has been written *before* the phrase and most certainly is not written after it. . . . It is therefore clear that this phrase is not an introduction or preface to the history of a person as is so often imagined. . . . ¶ . . . It is therefore evident that the formula is not a preamble to a genealogical list but an ending to such a list or narrative. This may be seen from numerous early tablets." On the use of the demonstrative pronoun

these to refer to what precedes, attention is called to the final verse of the book of Leviticus and the final verse of the book of Numbers.

In *Genesis the New World Translation* renders the Hebrew word *to-l'dōth* consistently as "history" in the fol-

lowing eleven critical verses: Genesis 2:4; 5:1; 6:9; 10:1; 11:10; 11:27; 25:12; 25:19; 36:1; 36:9; 37:2.

See also "Matthew 1:1 — 'history'" on page 757 of the Appendix of the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures* (1950).

Genesis 5:22, 24 — "The God"

This is the English translation of the Hebrew expression *האלהים, ha-El-o-him*, namely, the Hebrew title *El-o-him*; which is the plural number of the word *El-o'ah* and which means "God" when applied to the Creator Jehovah, preceded by the Hebrew definite article *ha*. Beginning with 1 Samuel 4:4 we have rendered this expression, when applying to the Creator Jehovah, "The [true] God."

That the Hebrew plural word *El-o-him* as applied to the Creator Jehovah does not mean that there are a number of gods in this one divinity but that this word *El-o-him* is merely in the plural number of excellence or of majesty, we refer to Gesenius' *Hebrew Grammar* as edited and enlarged by the late E. Kautzsch and revised in its second English edition by A. E. Cowley and reprinted photographically in Great Britain at the University Press, Oxford, in 1949, from corrected sheets of the second edition. In section 124

under the heading "The Various Uses of the Plural-form," it says, on pages 398, 399, in paragraph g:

"The *pluralis excellentiae* or *maiestatis* . . . is properly a variety of the abstract plural, since it sums up the several characteristics belonging to the idea, besides possessing the secondary sense of an *intensification* of the original idea. It is thus closely related to the plurals of amplification . . . which are mostly found in poetry. So especially אלהים *Godhead, God* (to be distinguished from the numerical plural *gods*, Exodus 12:12, &c.). The supposition that אלהים is to be regarded as merely a remnant of earlier polytheistic views (that is, as originally only a numerical plural) is at least highly improbable, and, moreover, would not explain the analogous plurals (see below). That the language has entirely rejected the idea of numerical plurality in אלהים (whenever it denotes *one God*), is proved especially by its be-

ing almost invariably joined with a singular attribute . . . , for example, אֱלֹהִים צַדִּיק Psalm 7:10, &c. Hence אֱלֹהִים may have been used originally not only as a numerical but also as an abstract plural (corresponding to the Latin *numen*, and our *Godhead*), and, like other abstracts of the same kind, have been transferred to a concrete single god (even of the heathen)."

In support of our rendering אֱלֹהִים into English as "The [true] God," we refer to the above Gesenius' *Hebrew Grammar*, under section 126, entitled "Determination by Means of the Article," and paragraph *d* on pages 404, 405, which says: "The article is, generally speaking, employed to determine a substantive wherever it is required by

Greek and English; thus: . . . (d) When terms applying to whole classes are restricted (simply by usage) to particular individuals . . . or things, for example, שָׁטָן *adversary*, השָׁטָן *the adversary, Satan*; בַּעַל *lord*, הַבַּעַל *Baal* as proper name of the god; הָאָדָם *the (first) man, Adam*; הָאֱלֹהִים *or האֱלֹהִים ho theos, the one true God* (compare also *ho Khristos* in the New Testament); . . ." And section 141, entitled "The Noun-clause," says, in paragraph *f*, on page 453: "To what period of time the statement applies must be inferred from the context; for example, 1 Kings 18: 21 יהוה האֱלֹהִים *the Lord is the true God*; . . ."

For the reader's quick reference we list below the verses where the Hebrew expression *ha-El-o-him'*, as applying to the Creator Jehovah, occurs:

- Genesis 5:22, 24; 6:2, 4, 9, 11; 17:18; 20:6, 17; 22:1, 3, 9; 27:28; 31:11; 35:7; 41:25, 28, 32, 32; 42:18; 44:16; 45:8; 48:15, 15.
Exodus 1:17, 21; 2:23; 3:1, 6, 11, 12, 13; 4:20, 27; 14:19; 17:9; 18:5, 12, 16, 19, 19; 19:3, 17, 19; 20:20, 21; 21:6, 13; 22:8, 9; 24:11, 13.
Numbers 22:10; 23:27.
Deuteronomy 4:35, 39; 7:9; 33:1.
Joshua 14:6; 22:34; 24:1.
Judges 6:20, 36, 39; 7:14; 13:6, 6, 8, 9, 9; 16:28; 18:31; 20:2, 27; 21:2.
1 Samuel 4:4, 8, 8, 13, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22; 5:1, 2, 10, 10, 11; 6:20; 9:7, 8, 10; 10:3, 5, 7; 14:18, 18, 36.
2 Samuel 2:27; 6:2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12, 12; 7:2, 28; 12:16; 14:17, 20; 15:24, 24, 25, 29; 16:23; 19:27.
1 Kings 8:60; 12:22, 22; 13:4, 5, 6, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 14, 21, 26, 29, 31; 17:18; 18:21, 24, 24, 37, 39, 39; 19:8; 20:28.

- 2 Kings 1:9, 11, 12, 13; 4:7, 16, 21, 22, 25, 25, 27, 27, 40, 42; 5:8, 14, 15, 20; 6:6, 9, 10, 15; 7:2, 17, 18, 19; 8:2, 4, 7, 8, 11; 13:19; 19:15; 23:16, 17.
1 Chronicles 5:22; 6:48, 49; 9:11, 13, 26, 27; 13:5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 12, 14; 14:11, 14, 15, 16; 15:1, 2, 15, 24, 26; 16:1, 1, 6, 42; 17:2, 21, 26; 21:7, 8, 15, 17; 22:1, 2, 19, 19; 23:14, 28; 24:5; 25:5, 5, 6; 26:20, 32; 28:3, 12, 21; 29:7.
2 Chronicles 1:3, 4; 3:3; 4:11, 19; 5:1, 14; 7:5; 8:14; 9:23; 10:15; 11:2; 13:12, 15; 15:18; 18:5; 19:3; 22:12; 23:3, 9; 24:7, 9, 13, 16, 20, 27; 25:7, 8, 9, 9, 20, 24; 26:5, 5, 7; 28:24, 24; 29:36; 30:16, 19; 31:13, 14, 21; 32:16, 31; 33:7, 13; 35:8; 36:16, 18, 19.
Ezra 1:3, 4, 5; 2:68; 3:2, 8, 9; 6:22; 8:36; 10:1, 6, 9.
Nehemiah 4:15; 5:13; 6:10; 7:2; 8:6, 8, 16; 9:7; 10:28, 29, 29; 11:11, 16, 22; 12:24, 36, 40, 43; 13:1, 7, 9, 11.
Job 1:6; 2:1, 10.
Psalms 87:3; 90: superscription.
Ecclesiastes 2:24, 26; 3:11, 14, 14, 15, 17, 18; 5:1, 2, 2, 6, 7, 18, 19; 6:2, 2; 7:13, 14, 26, 29; 8:12, 15, 17; 9:1, 7; 11:5, 9; 12:7, 13, 14.
Isaiah 37:16; 45:18. Jeremiah 35:4.
Ezekiel 31:9. Daniel 1:2, 9, 17; 9:3, 11.
Jonah 1:6; 3:9, 10, 10; 4:7.
הָאֵל *ha-El*, which has the Hebrew definite article *ha* before the title *El*, the plural number of which is *El-im'*, has also been rendered "the God" in Genesis and Deuteronomy, but "The [true] God" from 2 Samuel 22:31 forward. For the reader's quick reference we list below the verses where the Hebrew expression *ha-El* occurs, as applying to the Creator Jehovah:
Genesis 31:13; 35:1, 3; 46:3. Deuteronomy 7:9; 10:17; 33:26.
2 Samuel 22:31, 33, 48. Nehemiah 1:5; 9:32.
Job 13:8; 21:14; 22:17; 31:28; 33:6; 34:10, 37; 40:9.
Psalms 18:30, 32, 47; 57:2; 68:19, 20; 77:14; 85:8.
Isaiah 5:16; 42:5. Jeremiah 32:18.
Daniel 9:4.

By looking up the footnotes on the above-cited verses the reader will gain more information relative to the Hebrew expressions *ha-El-o-him'* and *ha-El*.

Genesis 15:2 — A-do-nay' — "Lord"

This Hebrew word *A-do-nay'* occurs 432 times in the Masoretic text (M). It is applied exclusively to Jehovah God.

However, there were 134 passages in M where the Jewish Sopherim claim that they substituted this word *A-do-nay'* for the name *Y'ho-wah'* ("Jehovah") in the primitive Hebrew text. (See below on this same page under "Genesis 18:3 — 'Jehovah'") We have therefore restored the name "Jehovah" to those 134 passages, and thus reduced the number of occurrences of *A-do-nay'* to 298 times.

The first occurrence of *A-do-*

Psalm 69:6; Isaiah 3:15; 10:23, 24; 22:5, 12, 14, 15; 28:22; Jeremiah 2:19; 46:10, 10; 49:5; 50:25, 31; Amos 9:5 ("of the armies").

Beginning with Psalm 68:20, *A-do-nay'* follows the divine name, to form the combination *Y'ho-wih' A-do-nay'* ("Jehovah the Sovereign Lord"), in five passages, as follows: Psalms 68:20; 109:21; 140:7; 141:8; Habakkuk 3:19.

A-do-nay' ("the Sovereign Lord") occurs in Psalm 35:23b, and there we rendered it "my Sovereign Lord," in order for it to run parallel with "O my God," on the same line. LXX (34:23) reads: *ho Ky'rios mou*; Vg (34:23), *Do'minus meus*. But *A-do-nay'* here should be *Y'ho-wah'*. See below.

Following the later practice of the Jewish rabbis in reading *A-do-nay'* instead of the divine name *Y'ho-wah'*, the later copyists of the Greek LXX substituted the anarthrous Greek title *Ky'rios* ("Lord; Master") for the Hebrew tetragrammaton יהוה, which had been transliterated into the Greek text.

Genesis 18:3 — "Jehovah"

(אֲדֹנָי, *A-do-nay'*, Hebrew Masoretic Text; Κύριε *Ky'rie*, Greek LXX; *Do'mi-ne*, Latin Vg; *Mar'ya*, Syriac Peshitta; יְיָ, *Y'eYa*, Aramaic Targum of Onkelos; "My lords," Samaritan Penta-teuch, with the following second-person pronouns in the plural number)

The above is one of the 134 places where the Jewish Sopherim or scribes claim that they altered the primitive He-

bray' is in the verse cited above, where it precedes the divine name to produce the combination *A-do-nay' Y'ho-wih'*, which is translated "Lord Jehovah." (From Psalm 71:5, 16 forward "Sovereign Lord Jehovah.") This combination occurs 280 times by itself.

Besides this, beginning with Psalm 69:6, the combination *A-do-nay' Y'ho-wih' ts'ba-oth'* ("Sovereign Lord Jehovah of armies") occurs 16 times, as follows:

Y'ho-wah' ("Jehovah"). In all these places we have taken the reading of the primitive Hebrew text instead of that of the traditional Hebrew Masoretic text and thus have rendered the divine name *Y'ho-wah'* into the English as "Jehovah." Below we list all the other places shown in the *Mas-sōrah* (paragraphs 107-115, Ginsburg's edition), where we have followed the reading of

the primitive Hebrew text. It would be profitable for the reader of the *New World Translation* to refer to the footnotes that are given in these 134 places, to discern how the text of individual Hebrew manuscripts and also the reading of the various ancient versions in Latin, Greek, Syriac and Aramaic support the primitive Hebrew text.

Genesis 18:3, 27, 30, 31, 32; 19:18; 20:4.

Exodus 4:10, 13; 5:22; 15:17; 34:9, 9.

Numbers 14:17.

Joshua 7:8.

Judges 6:15; 13:8.

1 Kings 3:10, 15; 22:6.

2 Kings 7:6; 19:23.

Ezra 10:3.

Nehemiah 1:11; 4:14.

Job 28:28.

Psalms 2:4; 16:2; 22:30; 30:8; 35:17, 22, 23; 37:13; 38:9, 15, 22; 39:7; 40:17; 44:23; 51:15; 54:4; 55:9; 57:9; 59:11; 62:12; 66:18; 68:11, 17, 19, 22, 26, 32; 73:20; 77:2, 7; 78:65; 79:12; 86:3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 15; 89:49, 50; 90:1, 17; 110:5; 130:2, 3, 6.

Isaiah 3:17, 18; 4:4; 6:1, 8, 11; 7:14, 20; 8:7; 9:8, 17; 10:12; 11:11; 21:6, 8, 16; 28:2; 29:13; 30:20; 37:24; 38:14, 16; 49:14.

Lamentations 1:14, 15, 15; 2:1, 2, 5, 7, 18, 19, 20; 3:31, 36, 37, 58. Ezekiel 18:25, 29; 21:9; 33:17, 20.

Daniel 1:2; 9:3, 4, 7, 9, 15, 16, 17, 19, 19, 19.

Amos 5:16; 7:7, 8; 9:1.

Micah 1:2.

Zechariah 9:4.

Malachi 1:12, 14.

On the above Scripture citations we refer the reader to Dr. Solomon Mandelkern's (1925) *Veteris Testamenti Concordantiae Hebraicae atque Chaldaicae* ("Hebrew and Chaldean Concordance of the Old Testament"), page 16, columns 1-3, and page 1432, column 3, under אֲדֹנָי.

In addition to the above, we call attention to the following places where the Jewish Sopherim claim they altered the primitive Hebrew text to read *Elo-him'* ("God") instead of *Y'ho-wah'* ("Jehovah"): Psalms 14:1, 2, 5; 53:1, 2, 4, 5. A change similar to the latter was claimed to have been

made by the Jewish Sopherim in 2 Samuel 5:19-25; 6:9-17; 1 Chronicles 13:12; 14:10, 11, 14, 16; 16:1. However, in these places we have followed the reading of the Hebrew text as published by Rudolf Kittel and his survivors, A. Alt, O. Eissfeldt and P. Kahle. (See THE HEBREW TEXT on page 19 of the Foreword of Volume I of the *New World Translation of the Hebrew Scriptures*.) See the footnotes to these verses for additional information.

For another rendering of the

Hebrew text to read "Jehovah" we refer the reader to Zechariah 6:8, where the final *yod* ("i") in the Hebrew word is understood to be an abbreviation of the divine name instead of meaning "my." This may also be the case in Ezekiel 43:3; Habakkuk 3:19; Zephaniah 2:12; Zechariah 11:10 (once for "my" and once for "I"); 14:5. But the reverse appears to be the case in Judges 19:18, where evidently "my" was intended rather than the divine name. See the footnotes on the above verses.

"Emendations of the Sopherim" (Tiqqunei Sopherim)

In standard Hebrew manuscripts the *Massorah*, that is, the small writing in the margins of the page, contains a note opposite a number of Hebrew passages that reads: "This is one of the eighteen Emendations of the Sopherim," or similar words. These emendations of the Jewish Sopherim were called *tiqqunei Sopherim*. These emendations were made, evidently with good intentions, because the original passage in the Hebrew text appeared to show irreverence for Jehovah God or disrespect for his earthly representatives. However, there were more than eighteen of such emendations. Below we list twenty-eight of such *tiqqunei Sopherim*, in the most of which we have corrected the reading according to the original, unemended text.

Genesis 18:22.	Ecclesiastes 3:21.
Numbers 11:15; 12:12.	Jeremiah 2:11.
1 Samuel 3:13.	Lamentations 3:20.
2 Samuel 12:14; 16:12; 20:1.	Ezekiel 8:17.
1 Kings 12:16; 21:10, 13.	Hosea 4:7.
2 Chronicles 10:16.	Habakkuk 1:12.
Job 1:5, 11; 2:5, 9; 7:20; 32:3.	Zechariah 2:12.
Psalms 10:3; 106:20.	Malachi 1:12; 3:9.

The reader will do well to read the footnotes to these verses.

1 Samuel 1:10 — "soul"

(נֶפֶשׁ, *neph'esh*, Hebrew; ψυχή, *psy-chē'*, Greek; *a'ni-ma*, Latin)

As in the Octateuch, or first eight books of the Hebrew Scriptures, contained in the first volume of the *New World Translation of the Hebrew Scriptures*, we have succeeded in consistently rendering the Hebrew word *neph'esh* as "soul" throughout the rest of the Hebrew Scriptures, from 1 Samuel through Malachi. By studying over the context of the Hebrew word *neph'esh* in its 519 occurrences in this latter, larger portion of the Hebrew Scriptures the investigator can learn distinguishing features about the soul in its true meaning. To aid in this we have grouped below, under various headings, the texts where the Hebrew word *neph'esh* occurs. This list bears a comparison with that given in the Appendix of the *New World Translation of the Hebrew Scriptures*, Volume I, pages 844-851, and the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures*, pages 762-766. It will further aid the student if he consults the footnote given on the word in any verse.

Life as an intelligent person or an animal

1 Samuel

- 1:10 she was bitter of soul; also 22:2; 30:6; 2Sa 17:8; 2Ki 4:27; Job 3:20; 7:11; 10:1b; 21:25; 27:2; Pr 31:6; Isa 38:15; Eze 27:31.
- 1:15 I pour out my soul before Jehovah; also Job 30:16; Ps 42:4; 141:8; Isa 53:12; La 2:12.
- 19:5 he proceeded to put his soul in his palm; also 28:21; Job 13:14; Ps 119:109.
- 19:11 If you are not letting your soul escape; also 2Sa 19:5; 1Ki 1:12; Ps 17:13; 89:48; 116:4; 124:7; Jer 48:6; 51:6, 45; Eze 33:5; Am 2:14, 15.
- 20:1 he is seeking for my soul; also 22:23; 23:15; 25:29; 2Sa 4:8; 16:11; 1Ki 3:11; 19:10, 14; 2Ch 1:11; Ps 38:12; 40:14; 54:3; 63:9; 70:2; 86:14; Pr 29:10; Ec 7:28; Ca 3:1, 2, 3, 4; 5:6; Jer 4:30; 11:21; 19:7, 9; 21:7; 22:25; 34:20, 21; 38:16b; 44:30, 30; 46:26; 49:37.
- 24:11 you are lying in wait for my soul; also Ps 56:6; 59:3; 71:10; Pr 1:18; 6:26.
- 26:21 my soul has been precious; also 2Ki 1:13, 14.
- 26:24 your soul was great this day in my eyes; (twice).

- 28:9 are you acting like a trapper against my soul
- 2 Samuel
1:9 my soul is yet in me
4:9 Jehovah who redeemed my soul; also 1Ki 1:29;
Job 33:28; Ps 34:22; 49:8, 15; 55:18; 71:23; 72:14.
14:7 we may put him to death for the soul of his brother
18:13 dealt treacherously against his soul
23:17 at the risk of their souls; also 1Ch 11:19; La 5:9.
- 1 Kings
2:4 with all their heart and with all their soul; also
8:48; 2Ki 23:3, 25; 2Ch 6:38; 15:12; 34:31.
2:23 against his own soul that Adonijah spoke
17:21 cause the soul of this child to come back; also v. 22.
19:2 if . . . I shall not make your soul like the soul of
each one of them
19:3 he rose up and began to go for his soul
20:39 your soul will have to take the place of his soul;
also v. 42.
- 2 Kings
7:7 they kept fleeing for their soul
10:24 the one's soul will go for the other's soul
- 1 Chronicles
28:9 serve him . . . with a delightful soul
- 2 Chronicles
1:11 not asked . . . for the soul of those hating you
- Esther
7:3 let there be given me my own soul
7:7 Haman . . . stood up to make request for his soul;
also 8:11; 9:16.
- Job
2:4 he will give in behalf of his soul
2:6 Only watch out for his soul
6:11 I should keep prolonging my soul
12:10 in whose hand is the soul of everyone alive
14:22 his own soul while within him will keep mourning
16:4 If only your souls existed in the place of my soul
19:2 How long will you men keep irritating my soul
27:8 in case God carries off his soul from him
31:39 the soul of its owners I have caused to pant
33:18 He keeps his soul back from the pit
- Psalms
6:4 O Jehovah, do rescue my soul; also 22:20; 33:19;
56:13; 86:13; 116:8; 120:2; Pr 23:14; Isa 44:20;
47:14; Jer 20:13; Eze 3:19, 21; 14:14, 20; 38:9.

- 7:5 Let an enemy pursue my soul; also 143:3.
17:9 The enemies against my soul
25:20 Do guard my soul; also 86:2; 97:10; 121:7; Pr 22:5.
26:9 Do not take away my soul; also 31:13.
31:9 my eye has become weak, my soul and my belly
35:4 who are hunting for my soul; also Eze 13:18, 20.
35:17 Do bring back my soul from their ravages
72:13 the souls of the poor ones he will save
74:19 Do not give to the wild beast the soul of your
turtledove
88:3 my soul has had enough of calamities
94:21 sharp attacks on the soul of the righteous
107:5 soul . . . began to faint away
143:6 My soul is like an exhausted land to you
- Proverbs
1:19 It takes away the very soul of its owners
7:23 he has not known that it involves his very soul
12:10 one is caring for the soul of his . . . animal
13:3 The one guarding his mouth is keeping his soul;
also 16:17; 19:16; 21:23.
13:8 The ransom for a man's soul is his riches
18:7 his lips are a snare for his soul
22:23 he will certainly rob their robbers of soul
22:25 that you may not . . . take a snare for your soul
25:13 he restores the very soul of his masters
29:24 partner with a thief is hating his own soul
- Isaiah
3:18, 20 Jehovah will take away . . . the 'houses of the soul'
10:18 He will bring to an end, even from the soul clear
to the flesh
15:4 His very soul has quivered within him
43:4 I shall give men . . . in place of your soul
53:10 If you will set his soul as a guilt offering
53:11 Because of the trouble of his soul he will see
- Jeremiah
2:24 a zebra . . . at the longing of her soul
17:21 Watch out for your souls
26:19 working up a great calamity against our souls
38:2 will certainly come to have his soul; also 39:18.
38:16 who has made for us this soul
45:5 I will give you your soul as a spoil
- Lamentations
2:19 on account of the soul of your children

- Jonah
 1:14 not perish because of the soul of this man
 2:5 Waters encircled me clear to the soul
 2:7 When my soul fainted away within me
 4:3 take away, please, my soul from me

- Habakkuk
 2:10 your soul is sinning

The animals lower than man are souls or have soul

- Job
 41:21 Its soul itself sets coals ablaze
 Ezekiel
 47:9 every living soul that swarms

Soul, a living person or individual

- 1 Samuel
 22:22 I personally have wronged every soul
 2 Samuel
 14:14 God does not take away a soul
 2 Kings
 12:4 money for the souls according to . . . valuation
 1 Chronicles
 5:21 human souls a hundred thousand
 Psalms
 19:7 law of Jehovah is perfect, bringing back the soul
 Proverbs
 11:25 The generous soul will itself be made fat
 11:30 he that is winning souls is wise
 16:24 Pleasant sayings are . . . , sweet to the soul
 19:2 that the soul should be without knowledge is not good
 19:15 a slack soul goes hungry; also 10:3.
 25:25 As cold water upon a tired soul, so is
 27:7 A soul that is satisfied will tread down comb honey
 27:7 to a hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet
 27:9 due to the counsel of the soul
 Isaiah
 5:14 She'ol [personified] has made its soul spacious
 Jeremiah
 43:6 every soul that Nebuzar-adan . . . had let stay
 52:29 eight hundred and thirty-two souls; also v. 30.
 Lamentations
 3:25 the soul that keeps seeking for him

- Ezekiel
 27:13 For the souls of mankind . . . your articles . . . were given

The creature soul is mortal, destructible

- 1 Kings
 19:4 ask that his soul might die; also Jon 4:8.
 20:31 Perhaps he will preserve your soul alive; also v. 32.
 Job
 7:15 my soul chooses suffocation
 11:20 their hope will be an expiring of the soul
 18:4 He is tearing his soul to pieces in his anger
 33:22 his soul draws near to the pit; also v. 30.
 36:14 Their soul will die in youth itself
 Psalms
 7:2 that no one may tear my soul to pieces
 22:29 no one will ever preserve his own soul alive
 66:9 He is setting our soul in life
 69:1 the waters have come clear to the soul
 78:50 He did not hold back their soul from death itself
 94:17 my soul would have resided in silence
 106:15 to send a wasting disease into their soul
 124:4 the torrent . . . would have passed over our soul
 Proverbs
 28:17 A man burdened with the bloodguilt for a soul
 Isaiah
 55:3 Listen, and your soul will keep alive
 Jeremiah
 2:34 the blood marks of the souls of the innocent
 4:10 the sword has reached clear to the soul
 18:20 they have excavated a pit for my soul
 38:17 your soul will . . . keep living; also v. 20.
 40:14 Baalis . . . sent Ishmael . . . to strike you to the soul; also v. 15.
 Ezekiel
 13:19 to put to death the souls that ought not to die and in order to preserve alive the souls that ought not to live
 17:17 in order to cut off many souls
 18:4 The soul that is sinning—it itself will die; also v. 20.
 22:25 A soul they actually devour
 22:27 in shedding blood, in destroying souls
 33:6 a sword comes and takes away from them soul

One's own self as a soul

- 1 Samuel
 1:26 By the life of your soul; also 17:55.
 2:16 take for yourself just whatever your soul may
 crave; also 2Sa 3:21; 1Ki 11:37; Job 23:13.
 2:33 to make your soul pine away; also Ps 84:2; 107:5;
 119:81.
 18:1 Jonathan's very soul became bound up with the
 soul of David and Jonathan began to love him as
 his own soul; also v. 3; 20:17.
 20:3 as your soul is living; also 25:26; 2Sa 11:11; 14:19;
 2Ki 2:2, 4, 6; 4:30.
 20:4 Whatever your soul may say I shall do
 23:20 in harmony with the desire of your soul
- 2 Samuel
 5:8 the lame and the blind, hateful to the soul of David
- 2 Kings
 9:15 If your soul agrees, do not let anyone go out
- 1 Chronicles
 22:19 set . . . your soul to inquire after Jehovah
- Esther
 4:13 Do not imagine within your own soul
 9:31 just as they had imposed upon their own soul
- Job
 6:7 My soul has refused to touch anything
 9:21 Were I of integrity, I would not know my soul
 10:1 My soul . . . feels a loathing; also 33:20; Zec 11:8.
 24:12 the soul of deadly wounded ones cries for help
 30:25 my soul has grieved; also Isa 19:10.
 31:30 asking for an oath-bound curse upon his soul
 32:2 his anger blazed over his justifying his own soul
- Psalms
 3:2 Many are saying of my soul
 6:3 my own soul has been very much disturbed
 10:3 the selfish longing of his soul; also Eze 24:25.
 11:1 How dare you men say to my soul
 13:2 How long shall I set resistance in my soul
 23:3 My soul he refreshes; also La 1:11, 16, 19.
 25:1 To you, O Jehovah, I raise my very soul
 25:13 His own soul will lodge in goodness
 31:7 you have known about the distresses of my soul
 33:20 Our very soul has been in expectation of Jehovah
 34:2 In Jehovah my soul will make its boast
 35:3 Say to my soul; "I am your salvation."

- 35:7 without cause they have dug it for my soul
 35:9 let my own soul be joyful in Jehovah
 35:12 They reward me with . . . bereavement to my soul
 35:13 with fasting I afflicted my soul
 41:4 Do heal my soul
 42:1 my very soul longs for you, O God
 42:2 My soul indeed thirsts for God; also Ps 63:1;
 143:6.
 42:5 Why are you in despair, O my soul; also v. 6; 43:5.
 44:25 our soul has bowed down to the dust; also Ps 57:6;
 119:25; Isa 51:23.
 49:18 he kept blessing his own soul
 54:4 Jehovah is among those supporting my soul
 57:1 in you my soul has taken refuge
 57:4 My soul is in the middle of lions
 62:1 toward God is my soul keeping silent; also v. 5.
 63:5 with the best part . . . my soul is satisfied; also
 Pr 13:25; Ec 6:2, 3, 7; Isa 58:10, 11; Jer 50:19;
 Eze 7:19.
 63:8 My soul has closely followed you
 66:16 what he has done for my soul
 69:10 I proceeded to weep with the fasting of my soul
 69:18 Do come near to my soul, reclaim it
 71:13 may those come to their end, who are resisting my
 soul
 77:2 my soul has refused to be comforted
 86:4 Make the soul of your servant rejoice; (twice).
 88:14 Why is it, O Jehovah, that you reject my soul?
 103:1 Bless Jehovah, O my soul; also vv. 2, 22; 104:1, 35.
 105:18 into irons his soul came
 107:18 Their soul got to detest even every sort of food
 107:26 their very soul finds itself melting
 109:20 those speaking evil against my soul
 109:31 to save him from those judging his soul
 116:7 Return to your resting place, O my soul
 119:20 My soul is crushed with longing
 119:28 My soul has been sleepless from grief
 119:129 Your reminders . . . my soul has observed; also
 v. 167.
 119:175 May my soul keep living and praising you
 120:6 For too long a time my soul has tabernacled
 123:4 Abundantly our soul has had its fill; also Pr 6:30.
 124:5 there would have passed over our soul the waters
 130:5 O Jehovah, my soul has hoped

- 130:6 My soul has waited for Jehovah
 131:2 I have soothed and quieted my soul
 138:3 you began to make me bold in my soul
 139:14 my soul is very well aware
 142:4 there is no one inquiring for my soul
 142:7 Do bring my soul out of the very dungeon
 143:8 to you I have lifted up my soul
 143:11 may you bring forth my soul out of distress
 143:12 destroy all those showing hostility to my soul
 146:1 Praise Jehovah, O my soul
- Proverbs**
 2:10 knowledge . . . becomes pleasant to your very soul
 3:22 they will prove to be life to your soul
 6:32 he . . . is bringing his own soul to ruin
 8:36 the one missing me is doing violence to his soul
 11:17 A man . . . is dealing rewardingly with his own soul
 13:4 but his soul has nothing; (twice).
 13:19 Desire when realized is pleasurable to the soul
 15:32 Anyone shunning discipline is rejecting his own soul
 16:26 The soul of the toiler has toiled hard for him
 19:8 He that is acquiring heart is loving his own soul
 20:2 Anyone . . . is sinning against his own soul
 21:10 The very soul of the wicked one has craved what is bad
 23:7 For as one that has calculated within his soul
 24:12 he himself that is observing your soul
 24:14 In the same way, do know wisdom for your soul
 28:25 He that is arrogant in soul stirs up contention
 29:17 give much pleasure to your soul
- Ecclesiastes**
 2:24 he should eat . . . and cause his soul to see good
 4:8 causing my soul to lack in good things
- The Song of Solomon**
 1:7 whom my soul has loved
- Isaiah**
 3:9 Woe to their soul
 26:8 the desire of the soul has been; also v. 9.
 29:8 he . . . awakes and his soul is empty; . . . his soul is dried out; also 32:6; Ps 107:9.
 38:17 you yourself have become attached to my soul
 44:20 he does not deliver his soul; also Jer 20:13.
 46:2 into captivity their own soul must go
 49:7 Jehovah . . . has said to him that is despised in soul

- 55:2 let your soul find its exquisite delight in fatness
 58:3 did we afflict our soul; also v. 5.
 61:10 My soul will be joyful in my God
 66:3 their very soul has taken a delight
- Jeremiah**
 3:11 Unfaithful Israel has proved her own soul
 4:19 sound of the trumpet is what my soul has heard
 4:31 my soul is tired of the killers
 6:16 walk in it, and find ease for your souls
 13:17 my soul will weep because of pride
 15:9 her soul has struggled for breath
 31:12 their soul will . . . become like a . . . garden
 31:14 I will saturate the soul of the priests with fatness; also v. 25.
 37:9 Do not deceive your souls
 44:7 Why are you causing a great calamity to your souls
- Lamentations**
 3:20 your soul will remember and bow low over me
 3:24 my soul has said
 3:51 My own eye has dealt severely with my soul
 3:58 You have taken up . . . the contests of my soul
- Ezekiel**
 4:14 My soul is not a defiled one
 16:5 because there was an abhorring of your soul
 23:17 her soul began to turn away; also vv. 22, 28.
 24:21 the object of your soul's compassion
 24:25 the longing of their soul
 25:6 you kept rejoicing with all scorn on your part in your soul; also v. 15; 36:5.
 32:10 tremble every moment, each one for his own soul
- Hosea**
 9:4 their bread is for their own soul
- Micah**
 6:7 the fruitage of my belly for the sin of my soul
 7:1 no early fig, that my soul would desire
 7:3 speaking forth the craving of his soul
- Habakkuk**
 2:4 Look! His soul has been swelled up
- Zechariah**
 11:8 my soul gradually became impatient with them
- Dead soul, or corpse**
- Haggai**
 2:13 If someone unclean by a deceased soul touches any

God has soul

- 1 Samuel
2:35 In harmony with what is . . . in my soul he will do
- Psalms
11:5 anyone loving violence His soul certainly hates
24:4 who has not carried My soul to sheer worthlessness
- Proverbs
6:16 Jehovah . . . seven are things detestable to his soul
- Isaiah
1:14 your festal seasons my soul has hated
42:1 My chosen one, whom my soul has approved
- Jeremiah
5:9 should not my soul avenge itself? also v. 29; 9:9.
6:8 Be corrected . . . that my soul may not turn away
disgusted from you
12:7 I have given the beloved one of my soul into the
palm of her enemies
14:19 has your soul abhorred even Zion?
15:1 my soul would not be toward this people
32:41 I will plant them in this land . . . with all my soul
51:14 Jehovah of armies has sworn by his own soul
- Lamentations
3:20 your soul will remember and bow low over me
- Ezekiel
23:18 my soul began to turn away disgusted; (twice).
- Amos
6:8 The Lord Jehovah has sworn by his own soul

Disposition, desire

- Psalms
27:12 Do not give me over to the soul of my adversaries;
also 41:2.
35:25 O may they not say . . . : "Aha, our soul!"
78:18 By asking for something to eat for their soul
105:22 To bind his princes agreeably to his soul; also Jer
34:16.
- Proverbs
19:18 to the putting of him to death do not lift up your
soul; also 13:2.
23:2 you must put a knife to your throat if you are the
owner of soul[ful desire]
- Ecclesiastes
6:9 Better is the seeing by the eyes than the walking
about of the soul

The Song of Solomon

- 6:12 my own soul had put me
- Isaiah
56:11 They are even dogs strong in soulful desire
58:10 you will grant to the hungry one your own soulful
desire
- Jeremiah
22:27 into the land to which they will be lifting up their
soul; also 44:14; Ho 4:8.
- Ezekiel
16:27 and give you to the soulful desire of the women
- Habakkuk
2:5 he who has made his soul spacious just like She'ol
- Soul delivered from Sheol (Hades, "hell")**
- Psalms
16:10 you will not leave my soul in She'ol
30:3 you have brought up my soul from She'ol
49:15 God himself will redeem my soul from the hand of
She'ol
86:13 you have delivered my soul out of She'ol
89:48 Can he provide escape for his soul from the hand
of She'ol?
- Proverbs
23:14 deliver his very soul from She'ol itself

1 Samuel 2:6 — "Sheol"

(שְׁאוֹל, Hebrew; ἡδής, *Hai'des*, Greek; *in'feri*, Latin;
Shi-ul', Syriac)

The Hebrew word שְׁאוֹל (*Sh'ol*), which we have transliterated in all cases as "She'ol," occurs 65 times in the Hebrew text from Genesis to Malachi. This word, which refers to gravedom or the general realm of the dead, is to be distinguished from the Hebrew word *qeb'er*, which means a burial place (as in Genesis 23:4), and from *q'bu-rah'*, which means a grave (as in Genesis 35:20). To complete the list of occurrences of *Sh'ol*, which was begun in the first volume of the *New World Translation of the Hebrew Scriptures*, we list below the remaining 58 occurrences in the rest of the Hebrew Scriptures. (See the Appendix of Volume I, pages 851, 852.)

- 1 Samuel
2:6 a Bringer down to She'ol
- 2 Samuel
22:6 The ropes of She'ol themselves surrounded me

- 1 Kings
2:6 and not let his gray hairs go down in peace to She'ol
2:9 bring his gray hairs down to She'ol with blood
- Job
7:9 so he that is going down to She'ol will not come up
11:8 It is deeper than She'ol
14:13 O that in She'ol you would hide me
17:13 If I keep waiting, She'ol is my house
17:16 To the bars of She'ol they will go down
21:13 and in a moment down to She'ol they descend
24:19 so does She'ol those who have sinned
26:6 She'ol is naked in front of him
- Psalms
6:5 in She'ol who will laud you?
9:17 Wicked people will turn back to She'ol
16:10 For you will not leave my soul in She'ol
18:5 The very ropes of She'ol surrounded me
30:3 you have brought up my soul from She'ol
31:17 may they keep silent in She'ol
49:14a Like sheep they have been appointed to She'ol itself
49:14b She'ol rather than a lofty abode is for each one
49:15 However, God himself will redeem my soul from the hand of She'ol
55:15 Let them go down into She'ol alive
86:13 and you have delivered my soul out of She'ol
88:3 and my very life has come in touch even with She'ol
89:48 Can he provide escape for his soul from the hand of She'ol?
116:3 and the distressing circumstances of She'ol themselves found me
139:8 and if I should spread out my couch in She'ol
141:7 our bones have been scattered at the mouth of She'ol
- Proverbs
1:12 Let us swallow them down alive just like She'ol
5:5 Her very steps take hold on She'ol itself
7:27 The ways to She'ol her house is
9:18 those called in by her are in the low places of She'ol
15:11 She'ol and the place of destruction are in front of Jehovah
15:24 in order to turn away from She'ol down below

- 23:14 that you may deliver his very soul from She'ol
27:20 She'ol and the place of destruction themselves do not get satisfied
30:16 She'ol . . . has not said: "Enough!"
- Ecclesiastes
9:10 for there is no work nor devising nor knowledge nor wisdom in She'ol
- The Song of Solomon
8:6 insistence on exclusive devotion is as unyielding as She'ol is
- Isaiah
5:14 Therefore She'ol has made its soul spacious
14:9 Even She'ol underneath has become agitated at you
14:11 Down to She'ol your pride has been brought
14:15 However, down to She'ol you will be brought
28:15 and with She'ol we have effected a vision
28:18 and that vision of yours with She'ol will not stand
38:10 I have been summoned to the very gates of She'ol
38:18 For it is not She'ol that can laud you
57:9 so that you lowered matters to She'ol
- Ezekiel
31:15 On the day of its going down to She'ol I shall certainly cause a mourning
31:16 when I bring it down to She'ol with those going down into the pit
31:17 they themselves also have gone down to She'ol
32:21 mighty ones will speak out of the midst of She'ol
32:27 the uncircumcised, who have gone down to She'ol
- Hosea
13:14a From the hand of She'ol I shall redeem them
13:14b Where is your destructiveness, O She'ol?
- Amos
9:2 If they dig down into She'ol
- Jonah
2:2 Out of the belly of She'ol I cried for help
- Habakkuk
2:5 he who has made his soul spacious just like She'ol

Nehemiah 11: 30 — "Gehenna"

(גֵּהֶנְנוֹם, *Gey Hin-nom'*, Hebrew; Γέεννα, *Ge'en-na*, Greek; *Ge-en'nom*, Latin)

This continues the reference to the word "Gehenna" as begun in the Appendix (page 852) of Volume I of the *New*

World Translation of the Hebrew Scriptures. "Gehenna" is the Greek name of the place and literally means "Hinnom Valley" or "Valley of Hinnom." In the Hebrew Scriptures, aside from the above Scripture verse and Joshua 15:8b; 18:16b, it is spoken of as the valley of the son (or sons) of Hinnom. (See "Gehenna" in the Appendix of the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures*, on pages 766, 767.) Below we give the remaining verses in the Hebrew Scriptures showing the extraction of the word "Gehenna":

2 Kings

- 23:10 And he made unfit for worship To'pheth, which is in the valley of the sons of Hin'nom [*gey b'ney-Hin-nom'*, Hebrew; *convallis filii En'nom*, Latin], that no one might make his son or his daughter pass through the fire to Mo'leth.

2 Chronicles

- 28:3 And he himself made sacrificial smoke in the valley of the son of Hin'nom [*gey ben-Hin-nom'*, M; *Gaibenennom*, Greek LXX; *vallis Benennom*, Vg] and proceeded to burn up his sons in the fire
- 33:6 And he himself made his own sons pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hin'nom [*gey ben-Hin-nom'*, M; *Gai-banai-en-nom*, LXX; *vallis Benennom*, Vg], and practiced magic

Nehemiah

- 11:30b And they took up camping from Be'er-she'ba clear to the valley of Hin'nom [*gey-Hin-nom'*, M; *vallis Ennom*, Vg]

Jeremiah

- 7:31 And they have built the high places of To'pheth, which is in the valley of the son of Hin-nom' [*gey ben-Hin-nom'*, M; *pháranx huioú En-nóm*, LXX; *vallis filii Ennom*, Vg]
- 7:32 "Therefore, look! Days are coming," is the utterance of Jehovah, "when it will no more be said to be To'pheth and the valley of the son of Hin'nom
- 19:2 And you must go out to the valley of the son of Hin'nom
- 19:6b this place will be called no more To'pheth and the valley of the son of Hin'nom, but the valley of the killing

- 32:35 Furthermore, they built the high places of Ba'al that are in the valley of the son of Hin'nom

Thus "the valley [of the son (sons)] of Hin'nom" is mentioned thirteen times in the Hebrew Scriptures, whereas its derivative, "Gehenna," occurs twelve times in the Christian Greek Scriptures, namely, in Matthew 5:22, 29, 30; 10:28; 18:9; 23:15, 33; Mark 9:43, 45, 47; Luke 12:5 and James 3:6.

The modern name of the valley of Hinnom or Gehenna is Wadi-al-Rababah. Says *Jerusalem in the Old Testament*, by Dr. J. Simmons, S.J., of 1952, on page 247: "The identification of the Hinnom valley with *wady er-rabābeh* entails, that Nehemiah 11:30 too supposes the South West Hill to be an inhabited area, because in this text Hinnom is the northern boundary of the Judaeans and therefore the southern boundary of Jerusalem."

Passages in Which the Hebrew Tetragrammaton (יהוה) Appears in the Text of Ancient Greek Versions

(According to extant manuscripts)

Deuteronomy 18:5 (twice), 16;	96:7, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13	צבצב
20:13, 18; 24:4, 9; 25:15;	97:1, 5, 9, 10, 12	"
26:2; 27:2; 31:26, 27, 29;	102:15, 16	"
32:3, 6	103:1, 2, 6, 8	"
1 Kings 20:13	Micah	
Psalms	4:4, 5, 7	
22:23	Habakkuk	צבצב
91:2, 9	2:14 (See photograph on	"
92:1, 4, 5, 8, 9	page 423.)	"

By consulting the footnotes on the above-given passages, the reader will gain fuller information. In confirmation of this information, see also the Foreword of the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures* under the subheading THE DIVINE NAME, on pages 10-18.

In the book *The Cairo Geniza*, by Paul E. Kahle, D., D.Litt., D.D., D.H.L., F.B.A., in its Second Edition, of 1959, we read, on pages 218, 219, under the subheading "4. THE CAIRO PAPYRUS FOUD 266," the following: "We are in the happy position of possessing a sample of the revision of the Greek Torah [Law], made in the second part of the second century B.C., which must have been written shortly after the completion of the revision. It is

the Cairo Papyrus Fouad 266 of which a few verses from Deut. xxxi and xxxii have had our attention drawn to them and been published by W. G. Waddell in order to show that in this Papyrus scroll the divine name was written as the Tetragrammaton in Hebrew square letters.² [²"The Tetragrammaton in the LXX", *Journal of Theological Studies*, xiv, 1944, pp. 157-61.]

"Professor Kilpatrick informed me of a few more fragments of this papyrus reproduced in America, not very well, but recognizably. They all show the Tetragrammaton.¹ [¹*New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures*, rendered from the Original Languages by the New World Bible Translation Committee. A.D. 1950. Publishers: Watchtower Bible and Tract Society Inc., International Bible Students Association. Brooklyn, New York, U.S.A. Foreword, pp. 13 and 14. (Dr. Abraham Spiro kindly procured a copy of the book for me.)] I asked Father A. Vaccari S. J. of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome to assess the character of the text of this papyrus..."

On page 222 of this same European work, paragraph 2 says: "Unfortunately the Manchester Papyrus does not contain an example of the Divine name. We now know that the Greek Bible text as far as it was written by Jews for Jews

did not translate the Divine name by *kyrios*, but the Tetragrammaton written with Hebrew or Greek letters was retained in such MSS. It was the Christians who replaced the Tetragrammaton by *kyrios*, when the divine name written in Hebrew letters was not understood any more. We must suppose that in this [Manchester Papyrus] fragment also the divine name was reproduced by the Tetragrammaton, and this is, indeed, most likely. In Deut. xxvi, 17, line 27 of C. H. Roberts' edition, the text breaks off just before the mention of the divine name. Roberts supposed that the scribe must have written the word *kyrios* in full, not in the shortened form used for the *nomen sacrum* [sacred name]. In reality the unabridged Tetragrammaton was written here, and Roberts agreed with me when I pointed this out. The only thing we do not know is whether the Tetragrammaton was written in square letters as in the previously discussed Papyrus Fouad 266 in Cairo and in the Milan Palimpsest of Origen's Hexapla found by Mercati or whether it was written in old Hebrew letters as for instance in the Aquila fragments from the Cairo Geniza published by Burkitt,¹ or in the leather scroll with the Greek text of the Minor Prophets, of which I will speak later on. [¹*Frag-*

ments of the Books of Kings according to the translation of Aquila, edition by F. Crawford Burkitt, Cambridge 1898.]

Pages 226, 227 of the above work continue on to say: "7. THE LEATHER SCROLL OF THE GREEK MINOR PROPHETS—The leather scroll of the Greek Minor Prophets was discovered by Bedouin in 1952, but nobody can say exactly where it came from. Milik, in his book of 1957, mentions it on p. 115 under *site non localisé* (Époque de la Seconde Révolte). The scroll is now in the Palestinian Museum at Jerusalem, and I learn from Dr. G. Vermès that more fragments of the scroll were found after D. Barthélemy had written his article on it: 'Redécouverte d'un chaînon manquant de l'histoire de la Septante'. (*Revue Biblique* lx, 1953, pp. 18-29) . . . we can be nearly certain that this scroll with the Greek text of the Minor Prophets was written in the closing decades of the pre-Christian era or at the beginning of our era. To date this scroll with Barthélemy or Milik at the end of the first or the beginning of the 2nd century A.D. seems to me impossible as long as other evidence is not forthcoming. In other words the scroll has to be regarded as a manuscript of the Greek Bible which was written by a Jew for Jews. We must try to understand it on this

presupposition. The Hebrew text on which the Greek translation is based is in the main our Masoretic text, but with deviations in various details."

Further quoting from the above work, we read, on pages 223, 224: "There can hardly be any doubt that the fragments of the Greek Bible found in Qumran Cave 4 are of Jewish origin, and that it is very likely that they should also be regarded as pre-Christian, so that we now have at our disposal fragments of six manuscripts of the Greek Bible written by Jews for Jews, if we include the leather scroll with the Greek text of the Minor Prophets, of which I will speak later on, specimens of the Greek Bible as it was read when the Christian era began. May I characterize briefly the three texts from Qumran Cave 4.

"I. The papyrus containing fragments of Leviticus ii-v is written in a hand closely akin to that of Papyrus Fouad 266, characterized as already mentioned by the fact that the name of God is rendered by the Tetragrammaton in Hebrew square letters (יהוה) not by *kyrios* [κύριος] as later in Christian MSS of the Bible. The fragment of Qumran Cave 4 renders the name of God by *αω* (written in majuscule letters) and this alone already shows that this papyrus was written by a Jew. . . ."

Isaiah 1:24 — "the [true] Lord"

This is the translation of the application of the title to the Hebrew expression יהוה א-דון, this being the title *ha-A-dōn'* ("Lord; Master") preceded by the Hebrew definite article *ha*. Although there are many lords or masters, this prefixing of the definite article before the title *a-dōn'* limits below:

Exodus

- 23:17 On three occasions in the year every male of yours will appear before the face of the Lord Jehovah
- 34:23 Three times in the year every male of yours is to appear before the Lord Jehovah, the God of Israel

Isaiah

- 1:24 Therefore the utterance of the true Lord, Jehovah of armies, the Powerful One of Israel, is
- 3:1 For, look! The true Lord, Jehovah of armies, is removing from Jerusalem and from Judah support and stay
- 10:16 Therefore the true Lord, Jehovah of armies, will keep sending upon his fat ones a wasting disease
- 10:33 Look! The true Lord, Jehovah of armies, is lopping off boughs with a terrible crash
- 19:4 "And I will deliver up Egypt into the hand of a hard master, and strong will be the king that will rule over them," is the utterance of the true Lord, Jehovah of armies

Micah

- 4:13b and by a ban you will actually devote to Jehovah their unjust profit, and their resources to the true Lord of the whole earth

Malachi

- 3:1 Look! I am sending my messenger, and he must clear up a way before me. And suddenly there will come to His temple the true Lord, whom

you people are seeking, and the messenger of the covenant in whom you are delighting

The plural number of *a-dōn'* is *a-do-nim'*; and the Hebrew expression *ha-a-do-nim'* does occur, but in a plural sense, in the following two verses:

Deuteronomy

- 10:17 For Jehovah your God is the God of gods and the Lord of lords [*marginal reading*, and Lord of the lords]

Psalm

- 136:3 LAUD the Lord of the lords

By referring to the footnotes on all the above-given verses the reader will gain further information.

Ezekiel 41:20 — "the temple"

One of the Fifteen Extraordinary Points (or 15 *puncta extraordinaria*) of the Sopherim occurs here by means of five dots over the Hebrew expression for "the temple," evidently to indicate that the Hebrew expression is a dittography and is therefore to be omitted from the reading or translation. See our footnote a on the passage.

In fifteen passages in the Hebrew Scriptures some words are thus stigmatized or dotted. The exact meaning of the dots is disputed. Some consider them to be marks of erasure. Others think that the dots indicate that in some collated manuscripts the words thus stigmatized were missing, so that the reading is therefore doubtful. Still others think that the dots are simply a memory-aiding device to aid the reader to remember some preacher's explanation that the ancient Hebrews had connected with these words. Then, too, there were those who argued that the dots were meant to guard against the omission by copyists of elements in the Hebrew text that, at first glance or after comparison with parallel Scripture passages, seemed to be superfluous. Some Hebrew manuscripts exhibit strokes, vertical or else horizontal, instead of dots or *puncta*. The *Jewish Encyclopedia*, Volume VIII (of 1910), believes that the last two theories have "equal probability."—Page 368, under "Masorah," and subheading "Suspended Letters and Dotted Words."

Says *Introduction to the Massoretico-Critical Edition of the Hebrew Bible*, by C. D. Ginsburg (1897), pages 318-321, under the subheading "The fifteen Extraordinary points":

"All the information which the puzzled student gets in the margin of the manuscripts and the printed text against each of these enigmatic expressions is that the letter or word in question has an extraordinary point. And yet these points are of supreme importance inasmuch as they exhibit the earliest result of textual criticism on the part of the Scribes. The record on this point has been transmitted in several of the post-Biblical writings. The oldest form of it which is in the *Siphri* on Numbers IX 10 is as follows: . . . Both the Midrash Rabba on Numbers III 39 and the Aboth di Rabbi Nathan supplement the enumeration of the ten instances with the following important statement:

Some say what do these points signify? Now Ezra [who has put them there] declares if Elias should come and say to me why hast thou written them [that is, these spurious words?], I will answer him I have already furnished them with points. But if he should say thou hast written them correctly, then I will readily erase the points on them.

"It will thus be seen that the points were regarded by the ancient authorities as marking the letters and words in question as spurious and that the Prophet Elias, who is to solve all doubts and difficulties, will give his decision on them when he appears. The practice of using dots to stigmatize words as spurious was not restricted to those days. Later scribes

continued the example of the ancient Sopherim, as may be seen by the student of Hebrew manuscripts. . . ."

Below we list the fifteen passages where the extraordinary points occur:

Genesis 16:5; 18:9; 19:33; 33:4; 37:12.

Numbers 3:39; 9:10; 21:30; 29:15.

Deuteronomy 29:29.

2 Samuel 19:19—Here three dots appear over the Hebrew word *ya-tsa'* ("[he] went out"), to indicate that this Hebrew word is to be canceled out and that *ya-tsa'tha* ("you went out"), which is a verb in the second person, is to be substituted in harmony with another recension of the Hebrew text and in accord with the expression *tiz-kor* ("[you] remember"), which immediately precedes the reference to going out.

Psalms 27:13.

Isaiah 44:9—Here the Hebrew pronoun *hem-mah'* ("they [are]") has four dots over it, to indicate that it is to be canceled out because of being merely a dittography of the pronominal ending *hem* ("their [witnesses]"), with which the preceding expression ends. Hence the pronoun for "they" is also absent in the Syriac Version. Accordingly the passage should read: "and, as regards their witnesses, they [the carved image; the dar-

lings] see nothing and they above information by consulting the footnotes that accompany the most of the above-listed fifteen passages. See also Ezekiel 41:20; 46:22. Ginsburg's *Introduction*, pages 321-334.

Daniel 2:47 — "Gods"

(*El-a-hin'*, אֱלֹהִין, Aramaic; *hoi the-oi'*, οἱ θεοί, Greek; *d'i*, Latin)

"Truly the God [*el-ah'*; אֱלֹהִים] of you men is a God of gods." (Daniel 2:47) The Aramaic noun *el-a-hin'* is the plural number of the noun *el-ah'*. Thirteen (13) times *el-a-hin'* is translated "gods" in the Aramaic part of Daniel.

Corresponding to the Aramaic *el-a-hin'* is the Hebrew plural noun *el-o-him'*, which occurs once in reference to "gods," in Daniel 11:8: "Also even with their gods [*el-o-him'*], with their molten images, with their desirable articles of silver and of gold, [and] with the captives he will come to Egypt."

This Hebrew plural noun *el-o-him'* (the singular of which is *el-o-ah'*) is translated many times throughout the Hebrew Scriptures to apply to other gods, beginning with Genesis 31:30: "why, though, have you stolen my gods [*el-o-him'*]?" Jehovah Elohim is set in contrast with the other gods [*el-o-him'*] in many passages, such as the following:

Exodus 15:11 Who among the gods is like you, O Jehovah?

Exodus 18:11 Now I do know that Jehovah is greater than all other gods [*ha-el-o-him'*]

Exodus 20:3 You must never have any other gods against my face

Deuteronomy 10:17 For Jehovah your God is the God of gods [*ha-el-o-him'*]

Joshua 22:22 Divine One, God, Jehovah, Divine One, God, Jehovah [marginal reading: Or, The God of gods, Jehovah, the God of gods, Jehovah], he is knowing, and Israel, he too will know

Psalms 8:5 You also proceeded to make him a little less than godlike ones [*el-o-him'*; "angels," LXXVgSyT] and with glory and splendor you proceeded to crown him

Psalms 82:1 God is stationing himself in the assembly of the Divine One [*El*]; in the middle of the gods [*el-o-him'*] he judges

- Psalm 82:6 I myself have said: "You are gods [*el-o-him'*], and all of you are sons of the Most High
- Psalm 95:3 For Jehovah is a great God [*El*] and a great King over all other gods [*el-o-him'*]
- Psalm 96:5 For all the gods [*el-o-him'*] of the peoples are worthless gods [*el-i-lim'*], but as for Jehovah, he has made the very heavens
- Psalm 97:7 Bow down to him, all you gods [*el-o-him'*]
- Psalm 136:2 LAUD the God of the gods [*ha-el-o-him'*]
- Psalm 138:1 In front of other gods I shall make melody to you
- Isaiah 37:19 And there was a consigning of their gods to the fire, because they were no gods
- Isaiah 41:23 Tell the things that are to come afterward, that we may know that you are gods
- Jeremiah 10:11 "The gods that did not make the very heavens and the earth are the ones who will perish from the earth and from under these heavens"
- Zephaniah 2:11 Jehovah will be fear-inspiring against them, for he will certainly emaciate all the gods [*el-o-him'*] of the earth

Psalm 82:6, listed above, is quoted in John 10:34, 35: "Jesus answered them: 'Is it not written in your Law, 'I said: You are gods'? If he called "gods" those against whom the word of God came, and yet the Scripture cannot be nullified.'"

In harmony with the Hebrew Scriptures is the reference to "gods" in 1 Corinthians 8:5, 6: "For even though there are those who are called 'gods', whether in heaven or on earth, just as there are many 'gods' and many 'lords', there is actually to us one God the Father, out of whom all things are, and we for him."

Also Galatians 4:8: "Nevertheless, when you did not know God, then it was that you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods."

The Hebrew noun *el-im'* (the plural number of *el*) is rendered as "gods" in Daniel 11:36: "And the king will actually do according to his own will, and he will exalt himself and magnify himself above every god [*el*], and against the God [*El*] of gods [*el-im'*] he will speak marvelous things."

El-im' is also translated as "gods" in Exodus 15:11: "Who among the gods is like you, O Jehovah?"

El-im' occurs also in Psalm 29:1 and is given the preferred rendering of "strong ones," with alternatives in the marginal reading: "Ascribe to Jehovah, O you sons of strong ones [marginal reading: Or, "sons of gods"; or, "godlike ones"; or "sons of God"], ascribe to Jehovah glory and strength." See footnote d.

Daniel 9:2 — "the word of Jehovah"

"The word of Jehovah." ton, as is generally held, but M, דבר יהוה (*d'bar Y'ho-wah'*); LXX, "ordinance to the earth" (ΠΡΟΣΤΑΓΜΑ ΤΗ ΓΗ). On this reading of LXX the quarterly magazine *Vetus Testamentum*, Volume III, No. 1, as of January, 1953, pages 103, 104, says: "THE WRITING OF THE DIVINE NAME IN AQUILA AND THE BEN ASHER TEXT: Aquila's version, made round about 130 A.D., is remarkable for its Old Hebrew lettering of the Divine Name in the midst of a Greek text. Put into square character, what Aquila wrote was יהיה, 'Jāh-Jāh', the popular substitute for יהוה 'Jahweh', the ineffable Name, the very naming of which was regarded as blasphemy. . . . By the time the [Jewish] Mishna was compiled (circa 190 A.D.) the pronunciation had become practically JāJā as the form יהי shows. The later Greek form ΙΙ ΙΙΙ was used to transcribe Aquila's Old Hebrew form of יהיה, and, in the opinion of CERIANI, this was first done either by Origen, or by Eusebius. ΙΙ ΙΙΙ does not represent the Tetragramma-

ton, as is generally held, but so that there is no justification for supposing that any identity of form of square character yodh [י] and waw [ו] in the first century was involved. Actually, . . . whoever was responsible for the present LXX reading at Daniel 9:2, to wit, TH I'H, apparently noticed the stroke to the left characteristic of yodh and pictured it by T as against Γ for waw [ו]. Had Aquila written the Name exactly as spelt in the text before him, those who transcribed his text would surely have written ΙΥΠΙΙ, for as has been pointed out consonantal waw was consistently rendered by upsilon [Υ] in the transliteration of Hebrew personal names in the LXX. . . . the implication of Aquila and the Mishnaic form, namely, that in the first two centuries A.D. at least, if not later, the Divine Name was uttered Jēh Jāh or briefly JāJā."—Norman Walker, West Ewell, Epsom (near London), England.

See also Genesis 2:4, footnote b.

Micah 4:4 — "mouth of Jehovah"

"Jehovah." *Y'ho-wah'*, M and fragment of a manuscript of the LXX belonging to the end of the First Century A.D. and discovered in a cave in the Judean desert in 1952. On this, *Revue Biblique*, published by L'École Pratique d'Études Bibliques, Paris, France, in its Volume 60 No. 1, January, 1953, says, on pages 19, 20:

"But during the course of the second fortnight of August 1952, the tireless Bedouins Ta'amré discovered inside a new cave of the desert of Judah important fragments of a parchment scroll that had been deposited there during the revolt of Bar Cocheba (2). These fragments have been acquired by the Palestinian Archaeological Museum, with the consent of Mr. Harding, Director of the Antiquities of Jordan, and we are authorized to make a first presentation thereof to the readers of the *Revue Biblique*. It has to do with a Greek text of the Minor Prophets of which the parts preserved belong to Micah, Jonah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah and Zechariah. As one can take an account of it by the attached table [chart] (pl.I) the very beautiful Uncial of our manuscript is situated at best near the end of the first century after Jesus Christ (3), which agrees with the fact that the manuscript was al-

ready very much used at the time that it was abandoned. . . Here, right at the start, is a passage that partially recovers an important quotation made by Justin in chapter 109 of the Dialogue: it has to do with Micah 4:3-7."

The chart that follows shows the Greek words preserved in the fragment in the midst of which there is found the Hebrew tetragrammaton (יהוה) in verse 4, in the expression "the very mouth of Jehovah," in verse 5, in the expression "Jehovah our God," and in verse 7, in the expression "Jehovah will actually rule as king over them."

The article then adds this comment: "It is enough to compare this text with that of the quotation of Justin in order to establish that it is substantially identical with it. . . ."—D. Barthélemy, O.P., Jerusalem, September 19, 1952, in the article "Rediscovery of a Missing Link of the History of the Septuagint."

See the Foreword, pages 11-16, of the *New World Translation of the Christian Greek Scriptures*; also Psalms 22:23, footnote b; 91:2, footnote c; 92:1, footnote b; 96:7, footnote d; 102:15, 16, 21, footnote a; 103:1, footnote e.

On the above-mentioned document of Micah, etc., *The Biblical Archaeologist*, Volume

XVII, No. 1, February, 1954, became the Bible of Hellenistic Christianity. Moreover, if Barthélemy is right, it is the text used by Jewish translators of the second century, the common denominator of Aquila, Theodotion and Symmachus. And finally, it appears on first study to be identical with the Quinta of Origen's Hexapla as well as the version underlying certain quotations of the Fathers, notably Justin."

Habakkuk 2:14 — "glory of Jehovah"

"Jehovah," *MVgSyT*. In an old recension of the LXX of the Minor Prophets, fragments of which were discovered in a newly found cave of the desert of Judah in 1952, containing portions of Habakkuk 1:14 to 2:5 and 2:13-15, the divine name Jehovah was found written in old Phoenician letters in the midst of the Greek text. On this the *Revue Biblique* published by L'École Pratique d'Études Bibliques, issued in Paris, France, says in its Volume 60 No. 1 of January, 1953, on pages 24, 25, in footnote (1), the following: "One will note once more a point of contact between Aquila and our recension: the writing of the tetragrammaton in 'Phoenician' letters. With regard to a small fragment of the Psalms upon

parchment proceeding from the Fayyûm and published by Wessely in 1910 as forming part of the version of Aquila—an attribution contested by Mercati (RB., 1911, pages 266-272)—I suggest the possibility of its belonging to our recension the spreading of which reached Egypt. The tetragrammaton figures there also in 'Phoenician'."—Rediscovery of a Missing Link of the History of the Septuagint, by D. Barthélemy, O.P., Jerusalem, 19 September 1952.

A photograph of the above-mentioned fragments of the book of Habakkuk, showing the tetragrammaton in the midst of the Greek text, appears on our next page. Also see Micah 4:4, Appendix, page 422.

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Gleed(ites)	Ge 31:21	Jehovah commanded	
Glorious(y)	Ge 45:13	(ordered, said the word)	Ge 7:5
Goat(s)	Ge 15:9	Jehovah, Command-	
God (El)	Ge 14:18	ment(s) of or	Ex 17:1
God (Eloah)	De 32:15	Jehovah (God)	Ge 2:4
God (Elohim)	Ge 1:1	Jehovah, God of	
Gods	Ge 31:30	Ex 3:15	
Gold(en)	Ge 2:11	Jehovah, (with)	
Gomorrah	Ge 10:19	house	Ex 23:19
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Grave (Tomb)	Ge 35:20	Jehovah, I am	Ge 15:7
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Guiltiness(y)	Ge 26:10	Jehovah my God	
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Hail(stones)	Ex 9:18	Jehovah, Name of	
Ham	Ge 5:32	Ge 4:26	
Hand(s)	Ge 3:22	Jehovah, O	Ge 32:9
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Harp(s)	Ge 4:21	Ex 3:18	
Harvest	Ge 8:22	Jehovah their God	
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Heal(er, ing)	Ge 20:17	Jehovah, Voice of	
Heart(ed, s)	Ge 6:5	De 8:20	
Heaven(s)	Ge 1:8	Jehovah, Word(s) of	
Hebrew	Ge 14:13	Ge 15:1	
Hebron	Ge 13:18	Jehovah your God	
Heel(s)	Ge 3:16	Ge 27:20	
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Honor(able)	(Glori-)	(glory of)	Ex 16:7
fied)	Ge 34:19	Nu 22:1	
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men)	Ge 50:9	Joshua	Ex 17:8
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graven)	Ex 20:4	Kind (Species)	Ge 1:11
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reditary)	Ge 31:14	Lamp(s)	Ex 25:37
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Books of the Hebrew Scriptures Before the Common or Christian Era

Name of Book	The Writer	Place Written	Time (B.C.E.)	Time Covered (B.C.E.)
Genesis	Moses	Wilderness	1513	46,025-1657
Exodus	Moses	Wilderness	1512	1657-1512
Leviticus	Moses	Wilderness	1512	1 month (1512)
Numbers	Moses	Plains of Moab	1473	1512-1473
Deuteronomy	Moses	Plains of Moab	1473	1 month (1473)
Joshua	Joshua	Canaan	1454	1473-1454
Judges	Samuel	Israel	c. 1100	c. 1454-1192
Ruth	Samuel	Israel	c. 1090	11 years of judges' rule
1 Samuel	Samuel; Gad; Nathan	Israel	c. 1077	1192-1077
2 Samuel	Gad; Nathan	Israel	c. 1040	1077-1040
1 Kings	Jeremiah	{ Jerusalem { and Egypt	{ 1 roll { c. 581	c. 1040-917
2 Kings	Jeremiah	{ Jerusalem? { Jerusalem?	{ c. 460 { c. 460	922-c. 581 1077-1037
1 Chronicles	Ezra	Jerusalem?	c. 460	1037-537
2 Chronicles	Ezra	Jerusalem	c. 460	537-466
Ezra	Ezra	Jerusalem	443	454-443
Nehemiah	Nehemiah	Shushan, Persia	474	483-474
Esther	Mordecai	Shushan, Persia	474	483-474
Job	Moses	Wilderness	c. 1490	c. 1656-1500
Psalms	David and others			
Proverbs	Solomon; Agur; Lemuel		c. 1010	
Ecclesiastes	Solomon	Jerusalem	c. 1000	
Song of Solomon	Solomon	Jerusalem	c. 1010	
Isaiah	Isaiah	Jerusalem	c. 732	c. 775-732
Jeremiah	Jeremiah	Jerusalem; Egypt	c. 581	647-c. 581
Lamentations	Jeremiah	Jerusalem	607	
Ezekiel	Ezekiel	Babylon	591	613-591
Daniel	Daniel	Babylon	535	613-535
Hosea	Hosea	Samaria (District)	c. 742	c. 830-742
Joel	Joel	Judah	c. 917	
Amos	Amos	Judah	c. 811	
Obadiah	Obadiah		c. 607	
Jonah	Jonah		c. 852	

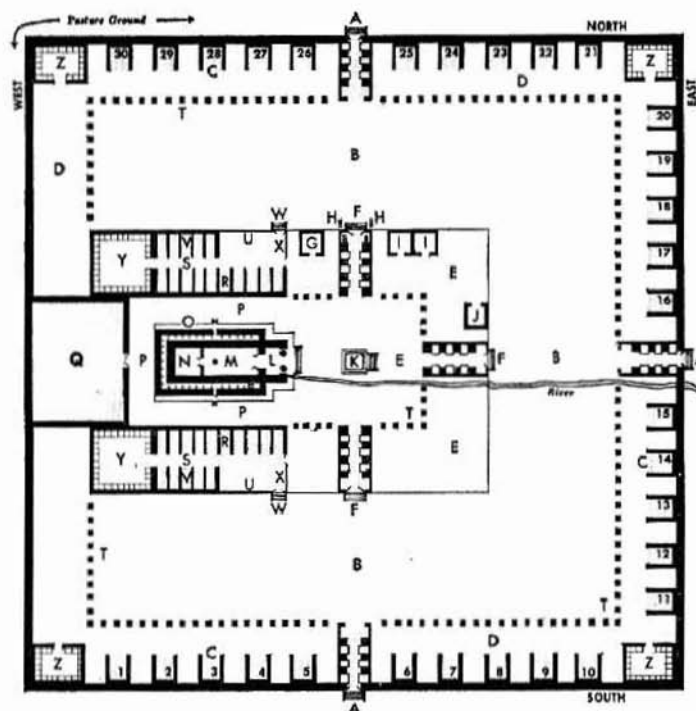
Name of Book	The Writer	Place Written	Time (B.C.E.)	Time Covered (B.C.E.)
Micah	Micah	Judah	c. 716	
Nahum	Nahum	Judah	before 633	
Habakkuk	Habakkuk	Judah	c. 628	
Zephaniah	Zephaniah	Judah	c. 655	
Haggai	Haggai	Jerusalem rebuilt	520	114 days (520)
Zechariah	Zechariah	Jerusalem rebuilt	518	520-518
Malachi	Malachi	Jerusalem rebuilt	c. 442	

Books of the Greek Scriptures Written During the Common (Christian) Era

Name of Book	The Writer	Place Written	Time (A.D.)	Time Covered
Matthew	Matthew	Palestine	41-50	2 B.C.E.- A.D. 33
Mark	Mark	Rome	60-65	29-33
Luke	Luke	Caesarea	56-58	3 B.C.E.- A.D. 33
John	Apostle John	Ephesus, or near	98	Creation to A.D. 33
Acts	Luke	Rome	61	33-61
Romans	Paul	Corinth	56	
1 Corinthians	Paul	Ephesus	55	
2 Corinthians	Paul	Philippi	55	
Galatians	Paul	Syrian Antioch	51	
Ephesians	Paul	Rome	60	
Philippians	Paul	Rome	60	
Colossians	Paul	Rome	60	
1 Thessalonians	Paul	Corinth	50	
2 Thessalonians	Paul	Corinth	50	
1 Timothy	Paul	Macedonia	61-64	
2 Timothy	Paul	Rome	65	
Titus	Paul	Ephesus	61-64	
Philemon	Paul	Rome	60	
Hebrews	Paul	Rome	61	
James	James (Jesus' brother)	Jerusalem	c. 60	
1 Peter	Peter	Babylon	62-64	
2 Peter	Peter	Babylon?	c. 64	
1 John	Apostle John	Ephesus, or near	98	
2 John	Apostle John	Ephesus, or near	98	
3 John	Apostle John	Ephesus, or near	98	
Jude	Jude (Jesus' brother)	Palestine	c. 65	
Revelation	Apostle John	Patmos	96	



Section through East Gateways and Sanctuary

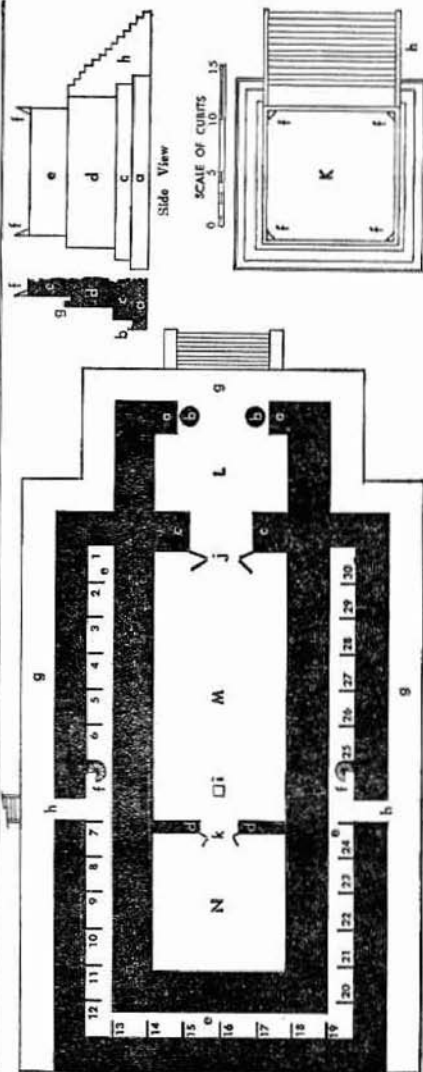
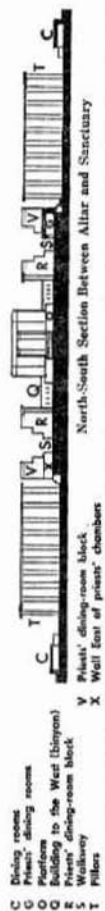
Ezekiel's Vision of the
SANCTUARY OF JEHOVAH

Ground Plan

SCALE OF CUBITS
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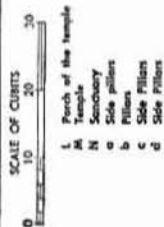
1 REED = 6 CUBITS (OF THE SANCTUARY)
1 CUBIT = 21 INCHES = 53.34 CENTIMETERS
500 CUBITS = 875 FEET = 266.7 METERS

- A Outer gateway
B Outer courtyard
C Dining rooms
D Lower parashat
E Inner courtyard
F Inner gateway
G Priests' dining room
H Slaughtering tables
I Priests' dining room
J Priests' dining room
K Altar
L Porch of the temple
M Temple
N Sanctuary
O Platform
P Separated area (gizrah)
Q Building to the West (binyan)
R Priests' dining-room block
S Walkway
T Pillars
U Wall
V Priests' dining-room block
W Entrance from outer courtyard
X Wall East of priests' chambers
Y Priests' bathing places
Z Peoples' bathing places
a Side chambers
b Porch canopy (teiling)



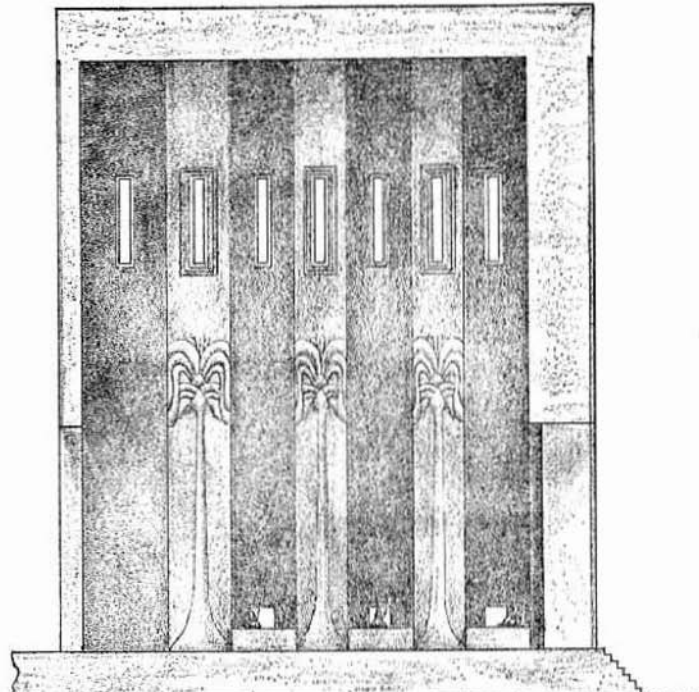
**Ezekiel's Vision of the
HOUSE OF THE SANCTUARY**

- Ground Plan**
- A Side chambers
 - B Winding passage
 - C Space that was left (sanctuary)
 - D Entrance to side chambers
 - E Wooden altar
 - F Double door to temple
 - G Double door to sanctuary



ALTAR

- A Bottom
- B Up of bottom
- C Lower surrounding ledge
- D Big surrounding ledge
- E Altar hearth
- F Home
- G Up of big surrounding ledge
- H Steps



Ezekiel's Vision of the OUTER GATEWAY of the Sanctuary



- Plan and Cross-Section from Steps to Porch**
- A Space between
 - B Fenced areas
 - C Porch
 - D Windows of narrowing frames
 - E Porch side pillars
 - F Doors
 - G Entrance to porch
 - H Seven steps

